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CHAMPION JOCKEY FOR CHAMPION'S DAY

Mr. L. G. Frost May Perform Hat Trick This Afternoon

THE "DOUBLES" SHOULD PAY WELL

(BY "MORNING DEW")

On surveying the prospects for to-day's race meeting, I can't help feeling that our champion jockey, Mr. Leo Frost, stands a very good chance of pulling off four or five races. He is riding Diana Bay, Woodland Stag, and Warrington in the three champions and with a bit of luck might win all three races. He is also riding Evening Star and Adam in the fourth and seventh races, which are the two events on which the Daily Doubles for to-day will be conducted, and both these ponies appear to have very good chances of winning. He is not likely to start in more than five races.

Of the three champions, Diana Bay's success seems a foregone conclusion, while there does not appear to be very serious opposition against Warrington. The chances of Woodland Stag, however, do not appear equally bright as he will have a tough proposition against Night Star.

The Daily Doubles is very open, and if anyone can spot the winners, they are in for a good dividend.

FIRST RACE GIFT FOR HETMAN

The opening race on the programme appears to me Hetman's race and there does not appear to be anything among the entries to extend the Dynasty candidate unless Gold Key can make use of his twenty pounds advantage to give him a run. From what I saw of Gold Key in Macao, though, I do not hesitate to say that Hetman has nothing to fear from him. The Loafer is going out here at 140 pounds and may run into a place.

Small Field

The field in the second race will not be more than three, and of these three Pride of Tsingtao and Daylight Eve are the only ones which need be considered. Pride of Tsingtao is running very well at the moment and although Daylight Eve will have the assistance of Mr. Heard, I still think the Chinese-owned candidate will pull it off.

Diana Bay's Race

The Hongkong Autumn Champions will fall to Diana Bay. I heard a report yesterday to the effect that probably Trentbridge will not go to the post. If he stays out of this race, then it will be a walk over for Diana Bay, but even if Trentbridge starts (and there appears to be no reason for the rumour that he won't) I don't think he will beat the Dunbar candidate, Sadko and King's Justice are starters.

Barrier Reef Handicap

This is the first leg of the "Doubles" and having drawn ten entries, the field will probably be about six or seven. The race is very open indeed. Evening Star will be Mr. Frost's mount and the pony seems to be moving very well under him. Mermald is going out under Mr. Butler, and his pony has won some very fine races in the past. He is in fine fettle at the moment, and there is no reason why he should not be backed every way. Tecumseh was tried out over half a mile yesterday by Mr. Donald Black and he moved over the ground in convincing manner, finishing the last quarter in 27 seconds. He is a good each way bet here, Changie, I hear, will go out to-day under Mr. Heard. The pony seems to be moving well and with the guidance of an experienced jockey might run into a place. At one time, Changie was a very good pony but he has not been raced for a long time and that is against him. Nguk, I am told, is not starting, not is Wotin and Ration.

Subs' Champions

Warrington (Mr. Frost), Vigilance (Mr. Harriman), King Sal-

mon (Mr. Heard), De Minimis (Mr. Proulx), Partnership (Mr. Liang), Iron Grey (Mr. Deltz) and Burgomaster (Mr. Black) are likely starters in the subs' Champions. During the season Warrington has had an exceptionally good record of success and none of the other entries appear to be near his class. Vigilance may run away and cause a lot of trouble, but I can't see a winner in him. King Salmon is moving exceptionally cleanly these days, and his gallop yesterday morning will earn for him many supporters this afternoon. Partnership and Burgomaster can be depended upon to put up a good race, but neither of them are likely to lower Warrington's colours.

Australian Champions

Night Star and Woodland Stag are the only two ponies which need be considered, at all in the Australian champions. I saw them both gallop yesterday morning and the way in which Night Star travelled convinces me that this pony is as fit as he ever was. That being the case, he is a much better candidate to back than Woodland Stag. Portia, The Giraffe and Lucy Glitters will fight for third place, I think and the odds appear in favour of Portia.

The Second Leg.

The second leg of the "Doubles" is even more open than the first leg and that is why I have written at the outset that those who pick the two winners are due for a big dividend. Adam with Mr. Frost up is in at 154 pounds and that is the lightest weight on the list. For this reason Adam is a good bet. Festival Eve moved very well yesterday morning and as he has 159 pounds against a field of heavily penalised ponies, he may get into a place. Powerful King turned out a useful quarter of 29.2 yesterday morning and in spite of his 137 pounds, may run into a place. Wembley Stag is another good one, while Ajax and Sticky-past have it in them to upset calculations, to say nothing of the lightly weighted African Eve.

Novices Race

In the last race on the card, there should be a good race between Black Rock (P. P. Botelho), Darlen (W. H. Choy) and The Goat (D. Black) and judging from the way that Darlen is now running I should select him to win. Black Rock will have the advantage of more experienced jockeyship and The Goat with Mr. Black on the saddle appears to be in safe hands. A very good race should be seen, but Darlen looks a bit too good.

Selections

- Race 1.
Hetman
Gold Key
The Loafer
Race 2.
Pride of Tsingtao
Daylight Eve
Mon Talsman
Race 3.
Diana Bay
Sadko
King's Justice
Race 4.
Evening Star
Tecumseh
Mermald
Race 5.
Warrington
King Salmon
Vigilance
Race 6.
Night Star
Woodland Stag
Portia
Race 7.
Adam
Festival Eve
Powerful King
Race 8.
Darlen
Black Rock
The Goat

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

(December 16)
(X Moon, 29th Day)
Anniversaries and Holidays.—
Ember Day.
Auctions.—Lammert's Sale of Porcelain and Plated Ware, Persian Carpets and Sundry Goods, Sales Room, 11 a.m.
Meetings.—Annual, Anti-Mutual Society of Hongkong, Y.W.C.A., 38C, Bonham Road, 7.30 p.m.; Creditors, Shamen Printing Press Ltd., Board Room, Victoria Hotel, Noon; Creditors, Hall, Law and Co., (1928) Ltd., 13, Pottinger Street, Ground Floor, 4.30 p.m.
Lectures.—Vocational Talk, Mr. William H. Chen on "Civil Service," Chinese Y.M.C.A., 8 p.m.
Social Functions.—Whist Drive, China Light and Power Recreation Club, King's Theatre.
Entertainment.—Children's Christmas Pantomime, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Miscellaneous.—Members and Friends of Kowloon Union Church on Trip to Tao Fung Shan Institute, at Shatin, 2 p.m.
Theatres
King's—"Perfect Understanding."
Queen's—"The Mystery of the Wax Museum."
Central—"That Night in London"
Oriental—"Red Dust."
World—"Modernity" (Chinese Picture).
Lee—"The Kid From Spain."
Majestic—"The Warrior's Husband."
Star—"Men Without Law"
Sports
Hongkong Jockey Club's Fifteenth Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.; Cricket and Football.
Cricket.—First Division, Royal Navy v. Craigengower (L); Diocesan Boys' School v. Kowloon C.C. (P); Army v. Small Units (P); Second Division, Craigengower v. R.A.S.C. (L); Indian R.C. v. Police (L); Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Navy (P).
Football.—First Division, Club v. Chinese Athletic; Lincolns v. Recrelo; South China v. Kowloon; Police v. St. Joseph's; Royal Artillery v. East Lancashires; Second Division, Young Indians v. Royal Navy; Club v. Kowloon; Chinese Athletic v. Borderers; Third Division, Radio Sports v. Lincolns; Recrelo v. Royal Engineers; Borderers v. R.A.M.C.
Hockey.—Caer Clark Cup, St. Andrew's v. Central British School, 2.45 p.m.; Recrelo "B" v. Y.M.C.A., 3 p.m.; Hongkong Ladies v. Central British Association, 3.15 p.m.
Miscellaneous.—Children's Sports (Kowloon Bowling Green), 2 p.m.
Racing.—Fifteenth Extra Race Meeting (Happy Valley), 2 p.m.
Rugby.—Triangular Tournament, Army v. Club (Sookunpool), 4 p.m.
Yachting.—Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's Fourth Championship Race for racing yachts.
Sunrise.—4.56 a.m. Sunset.—5.41 p.m.
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HIGHWAYS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

The Czechoslovak Road Fund was established in 1923, and, during the first five years of its existence, a sum of 1,800 million crowns has been disbursed from the Fund for the repair of existing, and the construction of new roads. The State roads in Czechoslovakia have a total length of 8,475 km., and about half, namely, 4,190 km., have now been repaired, while a sum of 1,500 million crowns will be expended on the remaining 4,285 km. New State roads are to be constructed, at a cost of 500 millions in Slovakia and Carpathian Ruthenia. Highways other than State roads, i.e., those under the control of local authorities, have a total length of 10,000 km., and it is hoped that a sum of from 1,200 to 1,500 million crowns may be available from the Road work on these roads during the next 10 years.

density by means of a disc on the equipment case, while the thickness of the deposit depends mainly, of course, on the time during which the plating pad is in contact with the work. The deposit requires little further treatment.

ENGINEERING AND BUILDING

PROTECTION OF STEEL PIPES

The Ancient History Of Bitumen

Modern methods for the protection of steel pipes against rust and corrosion, especially when used for towns water supply, consist essentially in the use of bitumen which is applied to the outside of the very hot pipe immediately after manufacture. For their protection the pipes are wrapped tightly in bitumen saturated cloth or sheathed with a thin layer of seamless bitumen asbestos composition. Either method gives adequate protection against fresh and salt water as well as corrosive soil, while if necessary the inside of the pipe is also protected by a seamless bitumen layer about $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick, which forms a smooth, hard, glassy surface, impervious to water. Consequently the great advantages of steel for pipe lines as against both cast iron and cement fabricated pipes, especially for towns water supply, can be utilised to the full, including high tensile strength, elasticity, non-permeability, light weight, and absence of breakage during transit and laying.

It is interesting to note these methods of protecting steel pipes are on the same general lines as used by the ancient Egyptians 4500-5000 years ago for preserving the dead. The body was preserved mostly by treating with bitumen, followed by wrapping with a large amount of cloth in narrow strips either soaked in bitumen or afterwards impregnated with this material, which was largely obtained from the Mesopotamia area. Bitumen, however, seems to have been used at first as a cement. The extreme resistance to moisture and disintegration generally is well indicated by ancient Sumerian statues (Euphrates area) dating from about 3000 B.C. which have the eyes and other portions, such as small shells to imitate the scales of fish, still lightly attached because of the use of bitumen as a cement. Great confusion has always been caused by the words "asphalt," "bitumen" and "pitch," and for example in the United States "asphalt" has quite a different meaning from that in Great Britain or France. The word "as-

phalt" comes from Babylon, meaning a natural bitumen, and this has passed through Greek and then later Latin to English and French. (Asphalte). To the Greeks the name was synonymous with "stable" or "resistant," and most of the ancient races of the Near East, Sumerians, Babylonians, Assyrians and Persians used bitumen as a cement in statuary as well as mortar for building and as protective against water, especially for boats, both inside and outside on the same lines as Stockholm tar many centuries later. To this day bitumen is still of course used in making boats on the Tigris for example. Herodotus also described a well in the neighbourhood of Kirkuk which produced "asphalt, salt and oil," which seems to be the first definite reference in literature to petroleum.

The name "bitumen" however, comes from Sanscrit, by way of Latin, but whether this referred actually to natural bitumen mostly found in petroleum areas, or to general dark coloured resinous material is not clear.

STANDARD TENSILE TESTS ON SHEET AND STRIP

A committee, representative of all the sheet-metal sections of the industry, appointed by the British Standards Institution to consider the question of the testing of thin metal sheet and strip, have now completed the first stage of their work, the result being the issue of specification No. 485-Part 1-1933. In this, which deals with tensile tests, consideration has been confined to material up to 0.08 in. (14 S.W.G.) in thickness, and the specification provides for standard tensile test pieces having a gauge length of 2 in. and a standard width of 0.5 in. An alternative form of test piece, having a gauge length of 8 in. is indicated for use in exceptional cases.

BUILDING

The perennial question of how a balance between theory and practice can best be attained in engineering and our knowledge thus assisted to advance at the highest possible rate, has been raised during the last few days in two addresses, one delivered to an electrical and the other to a physical audience. In his presidential address to the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Mr. P. V. Hunter pointed out that the old-fashioned type of engineer, whose training was exclusively practical, has now entirely passed away, his place being taken successively by those with a good theoretical knowledge, and by those whose chief interests were economic. He hinted that perhaps the pendulum has swung too far, and that opinion was upheld from another point of view by Dr. R. E. Stradling, in a lecture on "The Scientific Worker in a Traditional Industry," which was delivered before the Institute of Physics on Wednesday, November 1. The text of this lecture might be said to be that in building, at any rate, the traditional knowledge acquired through the ages by the practical man should not be lightly scorned by the modern research worker. Such scorn, and the neglect which was its consequence, would, in fact, impede development by fostering a spirit of antagonism between the practitioner and the scientist. An attitude of this kind is unfortunately easily engendered; for the practical rules of building often seem absurd when examined by the scientist and the explanations offered for them are as frequently obviously wrong. As Dr. Stradling said, it will be found, however, that the closer the contact the scientist establishes of the latter will be appreciated, and the clearer it will be that only by effective co-operation with him can any progress be made in a reasonable time. In other words, while it is true that more intensive scientific work is necessary, the enthusiasm of those engaged in it will be most harmful, if it is not coupled with a clear realisation of the fact that those who have spent their lives in industry, know much more about general principles than the newly-arrived laboratory worker.

CARMARTHEN TOWN BRIDGE

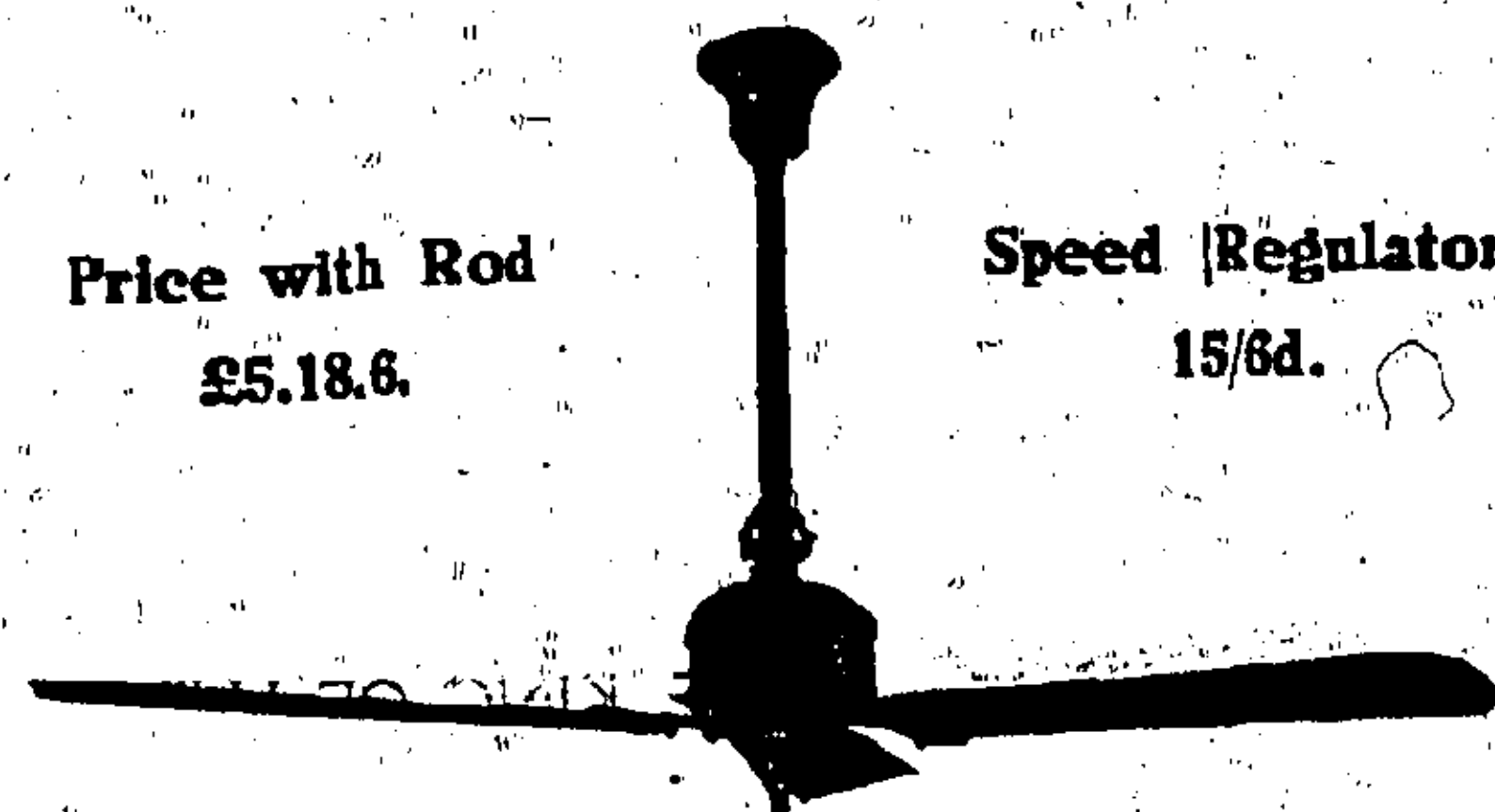
Although discussions over Carmarthen Town Bridge have gone on for ten years or more, finally seems to be indefinitely postponed. Last July, the Ministry of Transport declined to approve of the Carmarthenshire County Council's scheme for a high-level bridge crossing the railway and the river and then continuing on a gradual slope to the Castle grounds, already the property of the Council, giving a greatly improved entrance to the town and obviating the level crossing on the one side and the steep hill from the town on the other. The cost of this scheme was estimated at £115,690. The Ministry submitted a modified scheme to cross the railway and the river, but then to drop the road to quay level, preventing the town improvement desired and reducing the cost to about £75,000. Many complaints have recently been made of the inconvenience of the temporary one-way bridge that had been erected some years ago, when the old bridge failed. The Ministry of Transport have lately intimated that no grant will be made in respect of any scheme not approved by the Ministry, and the County Council regarding the Ministry scheme as unacceptable, have asked the county surveyor to report on the possibilities of the reconstruction of the old bridge with fewer arches to obviate flooding.

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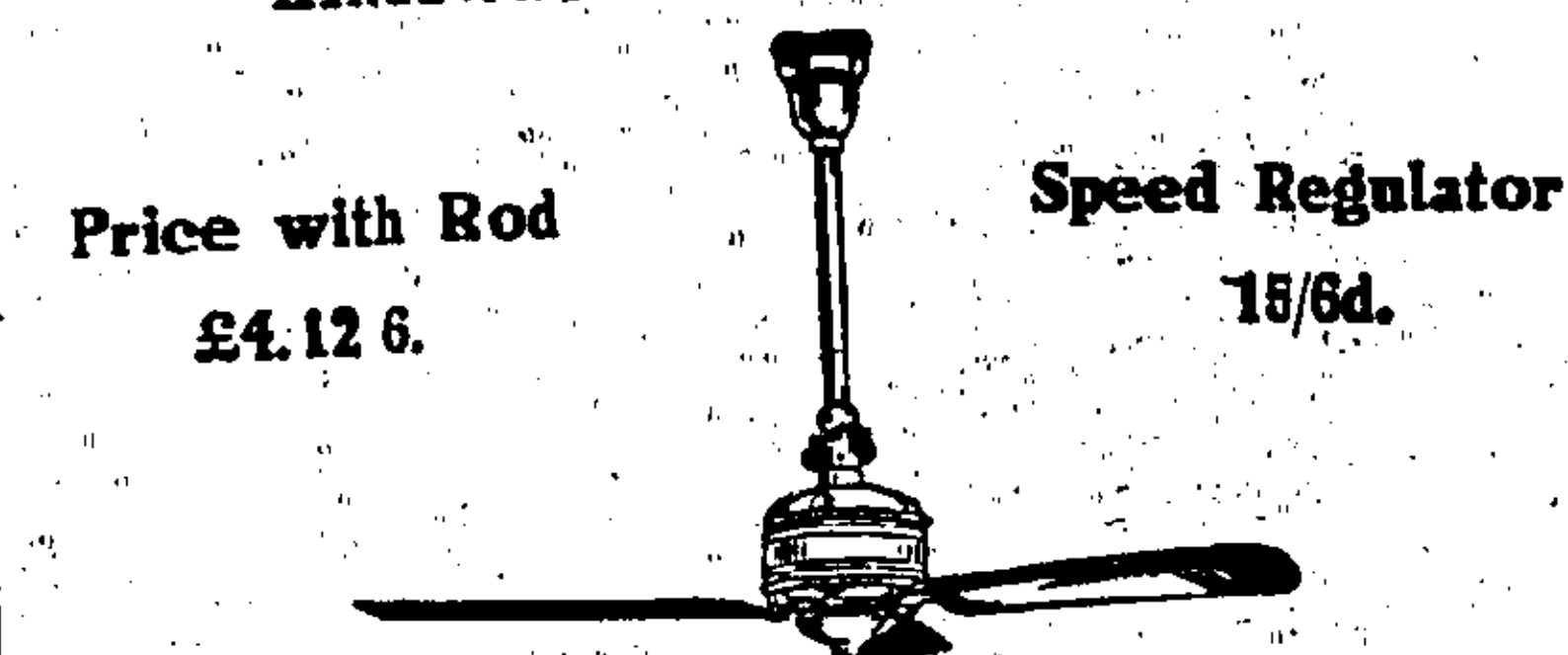
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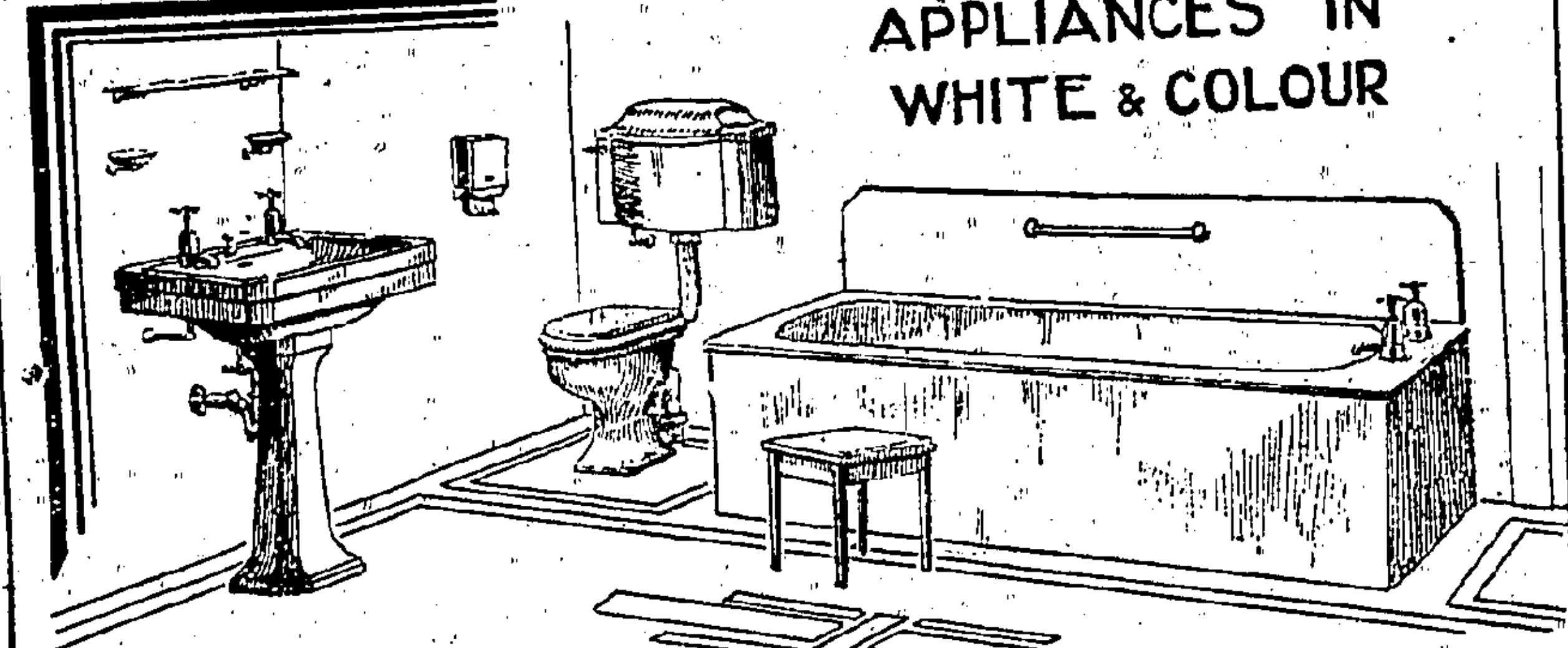
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MACAO WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT

THE CITY OF TEMPLES

Where Dragons Hobnob With Phoenixes

A spring morning invites one to the out-of-doors, to the suburbs of the city. One wanders and comes upon the Temple of Mongsha. On the outside it is unpretentious, and would pass almost unnoticed. It is, however, an important temple, and famous by reason of the extent of the buildings, and of the property owned by the temple.

The entrance is ornamented with a fine stone balustrade, with the indispensable stone lions that guard the stairway.

In the main building and beyond the "altar" and enshrined in the smoke of burning sandalwood, surrounded by candlesticks, candles, joss-sticks, and other sacrificial necessities and within a glass-enclosed sanctuary—a closed-in sanctuary is a sufficient rarity to merit special mention—are three enormous images covered with burnished gold in the characteristic posture of Buddha in meditation, squatting on folded legs. The central figure is said to represent Buddha himself and the figures flanking it are those of Buddhist saints. Each of these statues is sitting on a base of the symbolic lotus flower. It is not possible that the figures represent the trinity that is so common in most religions.

There is nobody here to gratify our curiosity, save a number of beggars at the gate and, perched on the roofs of the buildings, some twittering birds; they could be indifferent, perhaps, to such obscure problems.

The entrance to the temple is characteristically Chinese and surrounding it is a roof of porcelain decorated with dragons, fish, peacocks or phoenixes, and other mythological figures of brilliant-coloured enamel. This is so different to the other parts of Macao: those parts bring Portugal to mind. Here, in truth, is China.

Chinese temples do not consist of one entire building, as is the case with our churches, but are made up of a number of smaller buildings which follow each other. In this particular temple, following the first sanctuary, there is another figure of the Buddha. It is also gilded, and more perfect than the figures on the altar, and sits on a lotus flower. Surrounding the altar are numerous acknowledgments in the usual Chinese manner from those who have received favour after devotions before the shrine of the god.

Not far from where we stand a bonze has appeared, and quite freely does he give us the information we ask about through the medium of a kind interpreter.

The temple, so he says, was set up in the Ming Dynasty, a dynasty well known to us by its connection with the famous porcelains of the period, that is, over three hundred years ago. At that time, however, the temple was only a tiny building, and from small beginnings it slowly increased in size.

By the side of the passages which lead to the main altar may be seen enormous boxes in which are kept the vestments and other

things required by the bonzes on festive days, as well as other decorations for the same occasions.

We enter the innermost sanctuary. It is the oldest and most important one in this temple. The number of eulogies and acknowledgments are here in greater number than in the previous shrines. The walls are blackened by the smoke that has risen from joss-sticks, candles, sandalwood, and the prayer papers which have been burned at Chinese devotions.

To the left—as may be seen in most temples—is a little counter for the sale of fire-crackers and other objects, not least among which may be found spirit-money—an important part of the sacrificial ceremonies in Buddhist devotions.

Lanterns covered with enormous red characters and painted dragons hang from the roof, and just over the counter there hang triangular amulets of all colours, red and yellow predominating. They are to be worn by children as a charm against evil.

And everywhere one may see thanks-offerings: some of rich silk embroidery, others vertical wooden tablets against the wooden columns of the temple, and all bearing laudatory terms expressed by the Chinese characters that cover them.

On the right there is an ancient gong and close to it the hammer with which it is sounded, and facing it a curious-looking drum on a stand, used when the bonzes go through their rituals on festive occasions.

Flanking the altar within glass cases are eighteen gilded saints, every one in a meditative attitude, and in the place of honour, in an obscure half-light, is a strange figure dressed in heavily brocaded and embroidered silks.

The bonze we have mentioned above tells us that the divinity represented is a dual personality, and may be considered male or female.

On either side of the niche of the sanctuary there are two little statues in gilt which represent guardian spirits; and as in Roman Catholic churches, a lighted oil lamp is suspended from the ceiling in front of the tabernacle. Its gilt ornaments are browned by time. In front are three altars which testify to the holiness of the place. The pavement of red clay tiles, reminding us of old Portuguese homes, is substituted for stone as it approaches the altars.

On these stones are little round mats of straw, on which the faithful kneel when performing their oblation.

In an anteroom, furnished with blackwood, there is a more modest sanctuary in which are ancestral tablets of the members of various families. Some of these tablets are green and are kept here for the time being; other tablets are red in colour and are those of persons still living. The walls of this room are decorated with long kakemonos. Such pictures are to foreign minds full of exoticism, and are greatly appreciated by connoisseurs.

All the ante-rooms open to a

kind of courtyard where there are flowers in small bowls full of water. Chinese temples owe their original and pleasing aspect in no small measure to these features. In some of the courtyards, on the walls, there are slabs of slate mortised into the walls. On these slabs are engraved the names in Chinese characters of those who have contributed towards the construction of the temple, with the respective sums subscribed.

This temple is noted for its three sanctuaries and many halls. Between them and connecting them are a large number of courtyards and corridors. This form of construction gives to old Chinese houses that truly Oriental characteristic in architecture.

Chinese from many places come to Macao for their special devotions, and at times even take up their residence in houses attached to the temples set aside for their use. Men occupy those reserved for them, and the others are kept for the women-folk.

Some of the temples at Macao possess the tranquil atmosphere which is always a characteristic of monasteries. It is the mystic charm that surrounds and fills and breathes forth peace where men worship things divine.

THE TEMPLE OF MACAO SIAC

We stand in the oldest Chinese temple in Macao, so it is said, though according to most of the opinions we have heard that honour is reserved for the Temple of Barra.

The Temple of Macao Siac (The Macao Stone) or "Tien Heng Seng Mou Miu" is perched on a bare rocky point of land, and at one time looked over the sea. What was once water is now reclaimed land. Its situation is, in truth, a privileged one, whence one may enjoy some of the most picturesque scenery at Macao. It is a very small boulder and is crowned with a spreading banyan tree, and here, cut into the rocks, is a chapel of sorts.

It is clean, very clean, and has been newly painted in bright colours. The lighted lamp hangs before the altar, and gives us the impression, as we enter, that we have come upon a Christian shrine. However the exotic figures and the Chinese characters which we see about us and still more the pungent odour of burning sandalwood prevailing in the place, like some sweet narcotic—the weird atmosphere that awaits one in the antechamber of mystery, convince us that it is no place of Christian worship.

Leaving aside all these rapid impressions which pass before us we note that the little place is bright with showy colour, exceedingly clean, and that which is worthy of note in a tiny shrine, cut in the very end, and recently renovated, is an image of the goddess who is here venerated, "Tien Heng." The goddess, we are told, wards off in a special manner the terrible typhoon. During the third month of each year a feast is celebrated in her honour.

The temple was once much frequented by seafarers, but is today specially favoured by women-folk, and to the greatest extent by junk women.

Outside the temple itself is a pleasant looking balcony of stone which surrounds the place. In the rocks around are more shrines such as the Chinese are in the habit of setting up everywhere. Figures of allegorical fishes surround the roof, and over all looms the protecting banyan tree, just as the goddess protects the Chinese of Macao.

Such are the pagodas of Macao. And after the destructive wave of Communism has passed over China, destroying beliefs and overthrowing idols, temples, and altars, the pagodas of Macao will in time be really relics of the past.

Let us preserve most faithfully as monuments of tradition in old China, of legendary times, these age-old scenes of the ancient symbolism of pagan faiths. In addition to the measures we have adopted to assist our neighbours and friends in the great work of civilization which the leaders are endeavouring to promote among the people of China let us preserve and improve these temples. Let us beautify the surroundings wherever possible and thus

we shall have shown not only appreciation for Chinese artistic sentiment but also rendered good service to Macao.

Not Hongkong or any other European settlement in China can offer such old and valuable monuments for the inspection of tourists and the study of antiquarians.

Should we not then bestow love and care on these and the other precious relics of Macao—Macao the unique, the Holy City, the Gem of the Orient Earth?

NEWS FROM PORTUGAL

THE NEW LISBON ARSENAL

The works of the New Lisbon Arsenal are progressing at a rapid pace as revealed by an extensive article published in the "Diário de Notícias" an important Lisbon daily.

Besides the length of wharves being constructed and the buildings for the various workshops engaged, 6 slip-ways are being built, their lengths being 2 of 280 feet, 2 of 375, one of 490 and another of 680 feet approximately. These are intended for the construction of new ships and they will accommodate simultaneously ships of varying tonnage. The first 4 slip-ways are ready to take ships and they shall be inaugurated as soon as the complementary buildings are finished and equipped.

The whole plant shall be completed early next year, including the new School for Naval Architects which will function within the extensive precincts of the new Arsenal.

A further financial allotment of 10 million Escudos for the completion of the works was recently approved by Dr. Salazar and this is intended for all complementary works and equipment of the new Arsenal.

Upon its completion part of the old Lisbon Arsenal will be displaced by the new one thereby permitting the realization of big urban works on the Lisbon side which will considerably improve the water front at Lisbon by the continuation of a new Avenue leading to the famous Lisbon Statue Square.

The wide importance of these works is also keenly attached to the problem of unemployment, the Government undertaking extensive public works schemes for the employment of workmen on a large scale.

PORTUGUESE WINES AT THE BELGIAN CONGO

The Lisbon Chamber of Commerce received recently from the Chairman of Benguela Railways, Com. A. de Mello Machado, a report concerning Portuguese Wines on the Belgian Congo. According to this report Portuguese wines represented in 1928 only 12 per cent of the total consumption by the Belgian Congo; however, in 1932 their position has improved considerably, now representing 81 per cent of the total consumption, with 437,013 litres.

During 1933, up to the month of August, Lisbon exported to Belgian Congo 615,730 litres, it being anticipated that during the whole year of 1933 the exportation of Portuguese wines to Belgian Congo will reach the million litres mark.

The exportation, however, is still being made through Lisbon-Antwerp-Matadi, where they are distributed to the Higher Congo and Katanga. The Portuguese Wines for the Katanga region should be shipped directly through Lisbon-Lobito, which is the shortest route, since the run from Lobito to Katanga is now made by rail within 72 hours; this being a distance of 2,111 kilometres.

The time taken by the route Lisbon-Antwerp-Matadi takes at least 51 days, while following the route Lisbon-Lobito, Katanga it takes only 21 or 22 days.

The Portuguese shipping Companies have now reduced their freight on wines from Lisbon to Lobito from \$5.90 to \$4.90 per flask of 10 litres, including all shipping and discharging expenses as well as wharfage tax if the goods are consigned to the Belgian Congo.

A MODERN STUDIO IN LISBON

The Portuguese Tobis has just released its first Portuguese film "The Song of Lisbon." The press is unanimous in praising the efforts of the new Cinema enterprise which embodies all the improvements of modern science applied to Cinema. Some German and Russian experts were engaged at the beginning but they have since been paid off and the whole enterprise is now under Portuguese management.

The studio is completely up-to-date in equipment and according to press reports this first production of the new Tobis Film Company is entirely satisfactory. Some of the most popular Portuguese actors take part in this film which has been greatly appreciated by the public.

THE CHINA COAST

Changes And Appointments

Capt. J. Taylor, from reserve, has gone command, Hupeh.
Mr. J. L. Gamble, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Hupeh.
Mr. W. A. Hadden, from reserve, has gone second officer, Hupeh.
Mr. E. J. E. Cox, sup'y second officer, from short leave, is on reserve.

Mr. R. Warren, from short leave, is on reserve.
Mr. W. R. Kermode, sup'y chief officer, Wanshsien, has gone chief officer, Woosung.
Mr. D. Smith, chief officer, Woosung, is in transit.

Mr. E. L. Butcher, sup'y second officer, Kiating, has resigned.
Capt. J. M. Byrne, sup'y master, Kiating, has gone command, Su-yang.

Capt. J. S. Turnbull, of the Su-yang, has gone sup'y chief officer, Kiating.

Capt. P. J. Maley, from reserve, has gone sup'y master, Wanshsien.
Mr. R. N. Learmouth, chief officer Changchow, has gone sup'y chief officer, Wanshsien.

Mr. L. Moore, second officer, Changchow, has gone second officer, Wanshsien.

Mr. H. Pilling, second officer, Ninghai, has gone sup'y second officer, Wanshsien.

Mr. J. Ellum, sup'y second officer, Wanshsien, has gone second officer, Ninghai.

A. Alken, sup'y chief engineer officer, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, Hupeh.

Mr. D. I. Greer, sup'y second engineer officer, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Hupeh.

Mr. J. Bruce, sup'y second engineer officer, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, Hupeh.

Mr. W. T. Johnstone, sup'y third engineer officer, Kiangsu, has gone acting second engineer officer, Hunan.

Mr. T. T. Armstrong, acting second engineer officer, Hunan, is on short leave.

Mr. P. Cameron, third engineer officer, Anshun, is on short leave.

Mr. W. S. Somerville, sup'y third engineer officer, Anshun, has gone third engineer officer, the same ship.

Mr. W. M. Wright, acting asst. sup'y engineer, of Hong Kong, has gone sup'y second engineer officer, Anshun.

Mr. H. S. Halladay, chief engineer officer, Kanchow, is on short leave.

Mr. A. Andrew, chief engineer officer, Changchow, has gone chief engineer officer, Kanchow.

Mr. A. Taylor, third engineer officer, Sunning, has gone acting second engineer officer, the same ship.

Mr. G. Gibson, sup'y third engineer officer, Wuhu, has gone third engineer officer, Sunning.

Mr. H. S. Myler, sup'y second engineer officer, Sunning, has gone sup'y second engineer officer, Wuhu.

Mr. A. Madden, third engineer officer, Hsin Peking, has resigned.

Mr. R. K. Urquhart, sup'y third engineer officer, Wanshsien, has gone third engineer officer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. H. L. Mather, second engineer officer, Changchow, has gone sup'y second engineer officer, Wanshsien.

Mr. C. S. Howard, second officer, Siangwo, has gone second officer, Yuensang.

Mr. L. W. Harrison, second officer, Yuensang, has gone second officer, Siangwo.

Mr. A. L. Jones, acting chief officer, Pingwo, has gone second officer, Tuckwo.

Mr. H. J. Cairns, second officer, Hangsang, has gone second officer, Fochsing.

Mr. S. J. Walsh, second officer, Hangsang, has gone second officer, Hangsang.

Mr. Chien Tsai Jen, third engineer officer, Ka Ho, is on short leave.

Mr. Young, Ta Kwai, has gone acting third engineer officer, Ka Ho.

Mr. Chow Ching Yung, chief engineer officer, Tians Ta, is on short leave.

Mr. Wong Pao Tsai, has gone acting chief engineer officer, Kiang Ta.

Mr. Yung Yu Hing, second engineer officer, Kwang Lee, is on reserve.

Mr. King Hsin Kwai, has gone acting second engineer officer, Kwang Lee.

Mr. Chen Tsun Sha, third engineer officer, Hsien Kiang Teen, is on reserve.

Mr. Li Siao Yu, has gone acting third engineer officer, Hsien Kiang Teen.

Mr. Chen Yung Fah, from short leave, has gone third engineer officer, Tai Shun.

Mr. Liu Tsung Yao, acting third engineer officer, Tai Shun, has resigned.

Mr. Tien Yu Ka, has gone chief officer, Hsin Ming.

Mr. Chu Wen Ping, acting chief officer, Hsin Ming, has gone acting chief officer, Kwang Lee.

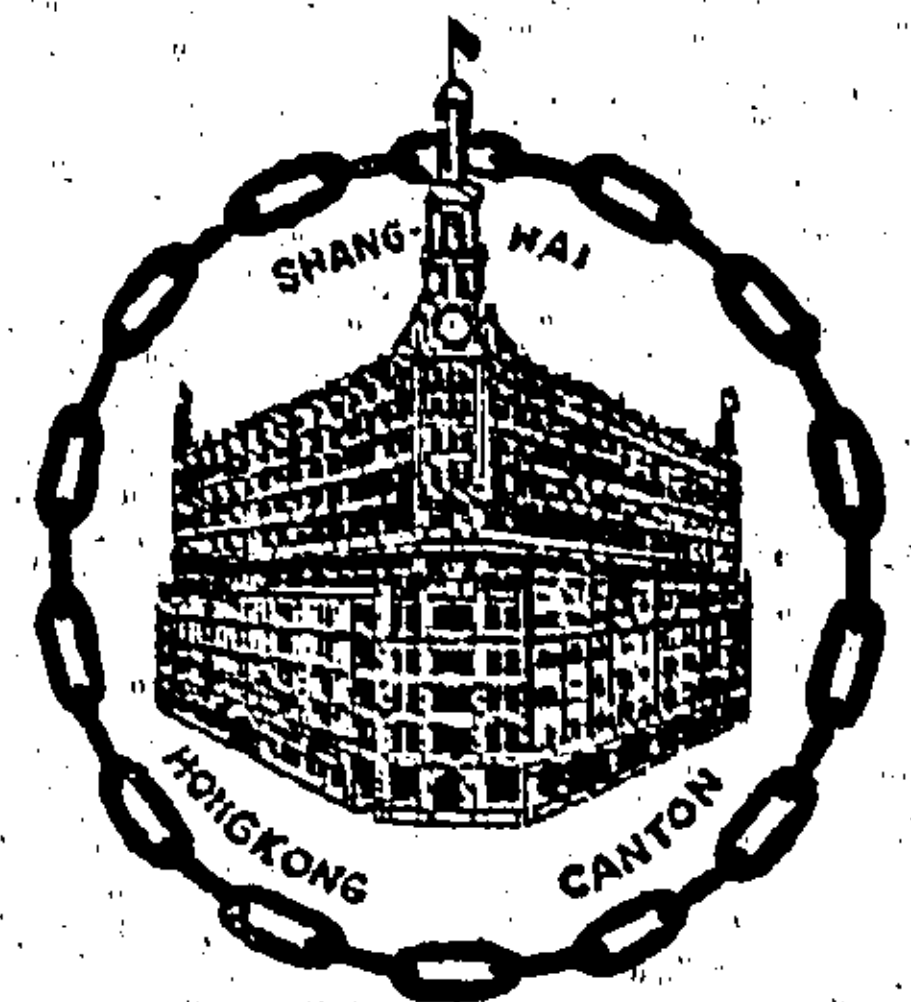
Mr. Fong Kun Tsai, chief officer, Kwang Lee, is on short leave.

Capt. Yang Hsing, from short leave, has gone command, Tai Sun.

Capt. Li Tsun Yu, acting master, Tai Shun, has gone acting master, Kwang Lee.

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1-2.15 p.m.—European programme.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather
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1.3 p.m.—Recorded music.

1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong
Kong Hotel Orchestra from the
Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.
Studio Concert To-night.

4-7.30 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7.30-11.30 p.m.—European pro-
gramme.

7.30-7.40 p.m.—

Orchestral.
Casino Dances (Gungl).
Love, Here in My Heart (Slesu).
—Albert Sandler and His Or-
chestra.

Apache Dance (Offenbach)—
Victor Salom Orchestra.

From the Studio.

7.40-8 p.m.—The Mouth Organ
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Officers.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather re-
port.

8.3-9 p.m.—

A Concert.
Orchestral—Carnaval Overture
(Dvorak)—Chicago Symphony
Orchestra.

Vocal Duet—The Thought Never
Entered my Head (Novello).
Vocal Duet—Moon Enchantment
(Besley)—Winnie Melville and
Derek Oldham.

Pianoforte Solo—Ballade in F
Minor (Chopin, Op. 52)—Alfred
Cortot.

Songs—(a) Little Brown Jug;
(b) The Three Crows (East-
burn)—Stuart.

Song—(a) The Marmalade; (b)
Polly Wolly Doodle (arr. W. H.
M. Robertson) (Bass-Baritone).
Violin Solo—Frasquita Serenade
(Lehar-Kreisler).

Violin Solo—Kreisler Serenade
(Lehar)—Fritz Kreisler.

Orchestral—Petrouschka Suite
(Strawinsky)—Boston Sym-
phony Orchestra directed by
Serge Koussevitzky.

9-11.30 p.m.—A relay of the Hong
Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra
from the Hong Kong Hotel
Grill Room.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press
news.

11.30 p.m.—Close down.

All relays from the Hong Kong
Hotel are by courtesy of the Man-
agement and during the intervals
recorded music will be broadcast
from the Studio.

Should reception prove satisfac-
tory, the programme between 5 and
8 p.m. will be replaced by a relay
from Daventry.

A RADIO PLAY

"A Radio-play entitled "Room
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SUNDAY.

9.15-10 a.m.—A relay of the Mil-
itary Parade Service from St.
John's Cathedral.

Voulez-vous Chant des voyageurs
(Bucalossi).
Hymn—No. 218—"God of Mercy"

Prayers
Venite
Lesson—Psalm No. 8.
Benedictus.
Credo.
Prayers.

Hymn—No. 163—"Three in One"
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Hymn—No. 300—"All Hail the
Power"

National Anthem.
Benediction.

Voluntary—March San Salvatore,
No. 2 (Banex).

10 a.m.—Close down.

11-12.15 p.m.—A relay of the
vice from St. John's Cathedral.

12.15-2.30 p.m.—European recorded
programme.

1 p.m.—Local time and weather
report.

2.34 p.m.—Close down.

Relay of Organ Recital from St.
John's Cathedral.

Three Studio Items To-night.
4.30-7.30 p.m.—Chinese programme.

7.30-10 p.m.—European pro-
gramme.

7.30-8 p.m.—

From the Studio.
Selections by the "Rose Room"
All Star Blue Five.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather re-
port.

8.3-8.33 p.m.—A relay of the Organ
Recital by Mr. Frederick
Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.O.L. from
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Programme.

1.—Choral Prelude on "Wachet
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who shows himself in state through
the streets of his city, and if he
is not cheered all the way he is
not stoned at all. This year he
seemed to get more cheers than
usual. Possibly Mr. Ivor Brown
had made even Londoners aware
of the hard life and unselfish ser-
vices that mayors give to the citi-
zens who elect them.

The Lord Mayor of London, sym-
bolising splendidly with his tradi-
tions and retinue all the mayors
of England, went round the capi-
tal, in the stage phrase "taking the
hands." If the applause was not
noisy, there was complete appro-
val. His progress in his Hogar-
thian coach commemorated the
good apprentice of the ages, that
had kept the credit and repute of
London town, and exemplified the
public service that the first citi-
zens in English cities give to the
Commonwealth. Gilded coach,
white horses in their grand red
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the Life Guards in their golden
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ralls and Pand O. travel, bened-
dicted men of the British Legion
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parks—all marched with the Lord
Mayor; and as big a crowd as ever
gave him their benediction.

The Footmen in the Show

"Why do the four footmen walk
so far in front of the Lord Ma-
yor's coach in the Lord Mayor's
Show?" would make a good ques-
tion for students of London in their
honours course. The explanation,
as one of the footmen with a cer-
tain rude eloquence told me, was
that the Hogarthian coach has no
brakes and might come down on
top of them, particularly on
Ludgate Hill. They were taking a
chance all the time on the hills,
and the present coachman had not
half the avoirdupois of the old
coachman.

The footmen and walking dead
and linkmen who parade beside
the procession do not enter into
their duties of the day with a
light heart; for they have a four-
mile walk, come rain, come snow,
come fog, for the new Lord Ma-
yor must be duly delivered at the
High Court of Justice to swear in
and present himself to the citi-
zens. In rain it is hard on the
walkers, who get their white
stockings wet and heavy, and in
the old days they had much dis-
comfort with their garters towards
the end of their walk; but now,
after a bitter fight below stairs in
the Mansion House, they have es-
tablished the right to suspenders.

Until the Law Courts were moved
from Westminster Hall to the
Strand the Lord Mayor went in
his state barge to Westminster
Stairs, and the party who are
fighting for the revival of the river
are now campaigning for the re-
vival of the river pageant.

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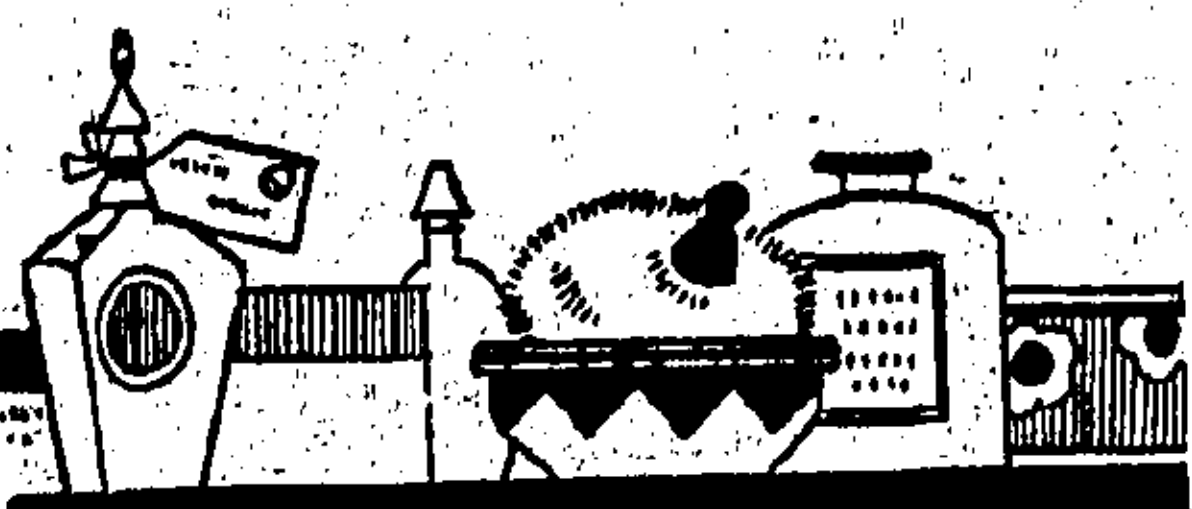
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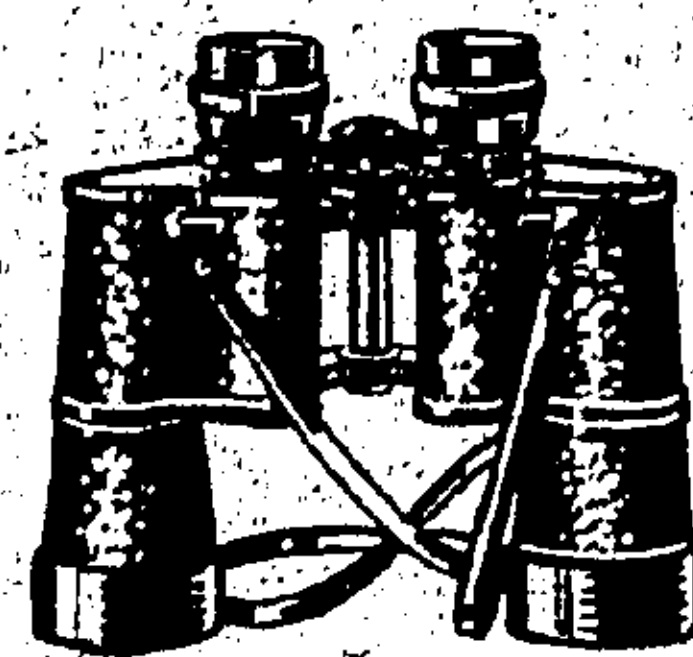
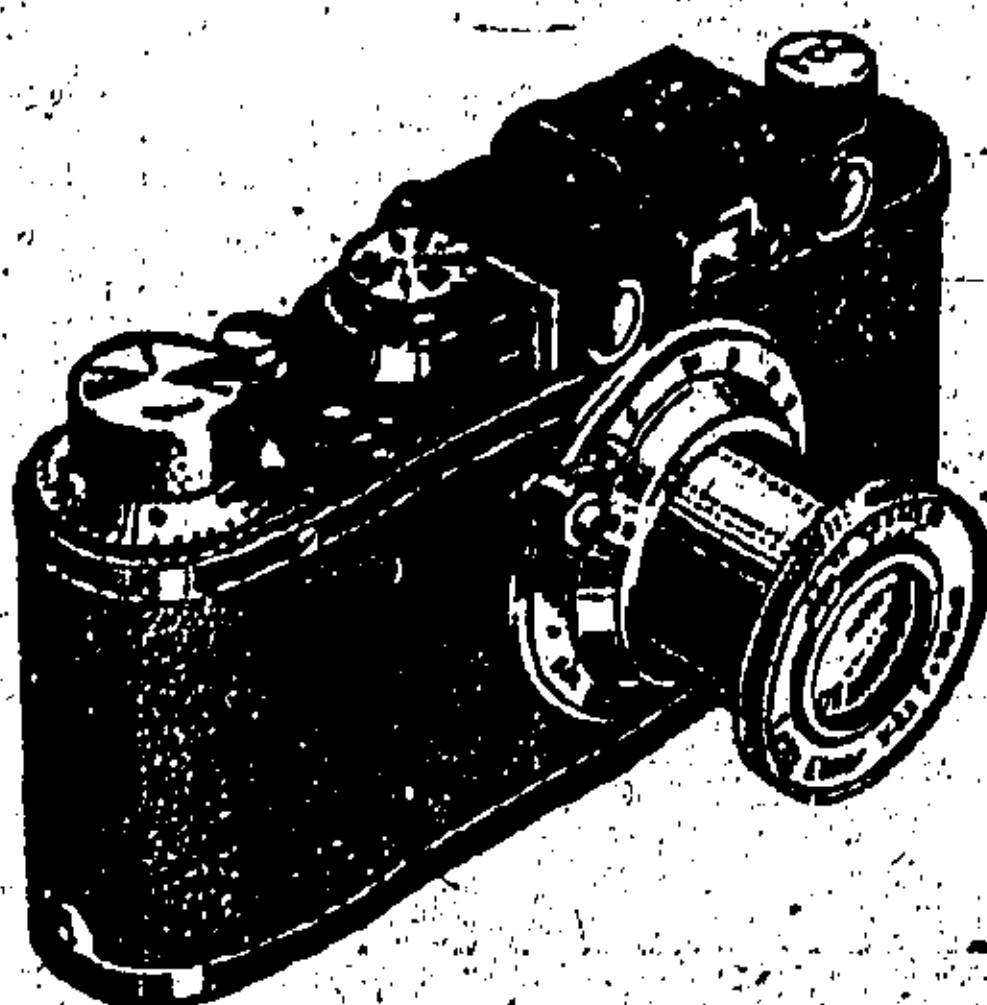
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A FAMILY CHRISTMAS

From Pickwick Papers

As brisk as bees if not altogether as light as fairies, did the four Pickwickians assemble on the morning of the twenty-second day of December, in the year of Grace in which these, their faithfully recorded adventures, were undertaken and accomplished. Christmas was closet at hand, in all his bluff and hearty honesty; it was the season of hospitality, merriment, and open-heartedness; the old year was preparing, like an ancient philosopher, to call his friends around him, and amidst the sound of feasting and revelry to pass gently and calmly away. Gay and merry was the time, and gay and merry were at least four of the numerous hearts that were gladdened by its coming.

And numerous indeed are the hearts to which Christmas brings a brief season of happiness and enjoyment. How many families, whose members have been dispersed and scattered far and wide, in the restless struggles of life, are then reunited, and meet once again in that happy state of companionship and mutual good-will which is a course of such pure and unalloyed delight, and one so incompatible with the cares and sorrows of the world; that the religious belief of the most civilized nations, and the rude traditions of the roughest savages, alike number it among the first joys of a future condition of existence, provided for the best and happy! How many old recollections, and how many dormant sympathies, does Christmas-time awaken!

We write these words now, many miles distant from the spot at which, year after year, we met on that day, a merry and joyous circle. Many of the hearts that throbbed so gayly then, have ceased to beat; many of the looks that shone so brightly then, have ceased to glow; the hands we grasped, have grown cold; the eyes we sought, have hid their luster in the grave; and yet the old house, the room, the merry voices and smiling faces, the jest, the laugh, the most minute and trivial circumstances connected with those happy meetings, crowd upon our mind at each recurrence of the season, as if the last assemblage had been but yesterday! Happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childish days; that can recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth; that can transport the sailor and the traveller thousands of miles away, back to his own fire-side and his quiet home!

But we are so taken up, and occupied with the good qualities of this saint Christmas, that we are keeping Mr. Pickwick and his friends waiting in the cold on the outside of the Mugleton coach, which they have just attained, well wrapped up in great-coats, shawls, and comforters. The portmanteaus and carpet-bags have been stowed away, and Mr. Weller and the guard are endeavoring to insinuate into the fore-boot a huge codfish several sizes too large for it—which is snugly packed up in a long brown basket, with a layer of straw over the top, and which has been left to the last, in order that he may repose in safety on the half-dozen barrels

of real native oysters, all the property of Mr. Pickwick, which have been arranged in regular order at the bottom of the receptacle.

The interest displayed in Mr. Pickwick's countenance is most intense, as Mr. Weller and the guard try to squeeze the codfish into the boot, first head first, and then tail first, and then top upward, and then bottom upward, and then sideways, and then long-ways, all of which artifices the implacable codfish sturdily resists, until the guard accidentally hits him in the very middle of the basket, whereupon he suddenly disappears into the boot, and with him, the head and shoulders of the guard himself, who, not calculating upon so sudden a cessation of the passive resistance of the codfish, experiences a very unexpected shock, to the unmovable delight of all the porters and by-standers. Upon this, Mr. Pickwick smiles with great good humour, and drawing a shilling from his waistcoat-pocket, begs the guard, as he picks himself out of the boot, to drink his health in a glass of hot brandy-and-water; at which the guard smiles too, and Messrs. Snodgrass, Winkle, and Tupman, all smile in company. The guard and Mr. Weller disappear for five minutes; most probably to get the hot brandy-and-water, for they smell very strongly of it when they return, the coachman mounts to the box, Mr. Weller jumps up behind, the Pickwickians pull their coats round their legs and their shawls over their noses, the helpers pull the horse-cloths off, the coachman shouts out a cheery, "All right!" and away they go.

They have rumbled through the streets, and jolted over the stages, and at length reach the wide and open country. The wheels skim over the hard and frosty ground; and the horses, bursting into a canter at a smart crack of the whip, step along the road as if the load behind them—coach, passengers, codfish, oyster-barrels, and all were but a feather at their heels. They have descended a gentle slope, and enter upon a level, as compact and dry as a solid block of marble, two miles long. Another crack of the whip; and on they speed, at a smart gallop; the horses tossing their heads and rattling the harness, as if in exultation at the rapidity of the motion; while the coachman, holding whip and reins in one hand, takes off his hat with the other, and resting it on his knees, pulls out his handkerchief, and wipes his forehead; partly because he has a habit of doing it, and partly because it's as well to show the passenger how cool he is, and what an easy thing it is to drive four-in-hand when you have had as much practice as he has. Having done this very leisurely (otherwise the effect would be materially impaired), he replaces his handkerchief, pulls on his hat, adjusts his gloves, squares his elbows, cracks the whip again, and on they speed, more merrily than before. A few small houses, scattered on either side of the road, betoken the entrance to some town or village. The lively notes of the guard's key-bugle vibrate in the clear cold air, and wake up the old gentleman inside,

who, carefully letting down the window-sash half-way, and standing sentry over the air, takes a short peep out, and then carefully pulling it up again, informs the other inside that they're going to change directly; on which the other inside wakes himself up, and determines to postpone his next nap until after the stoppage. Again the bugle sounds lustily forth, and rouses the cottager's wife and children, who peep out at the house door, and watch the coach till it turns the corner, when they once more crouch round the blazing fire, and throw on another log of wood against father comes home; while father himself, a full mile off, has just exchanged a friendly nod with the coachman, and turned round to take a good long stare at the vehicle as it whirls away.

And now the bugle plays a lively air as the coach rattles through the ill-paved streets of a country town; and the coachman, undoing the buckle which keeps his ribbons together, prepares to throw them off the moment he stops. Mr. Pickwick emerges from his coat-collar, and looks about him with great curiosity; perceiving which, the coachman informs Mr. Pickwick of the name of the town, and tells him it was market-day yesterday, both of which pieces of information Mr. Pickwick retails to his fellow-passengers; whereupon they emerge from their coat-collars too, and look about them also. Mr. Winkle, who sits at the extreme edge, with one leg dangling in the air, is nearly precipitated into the street, as the coach twists round the sharp corner by the cheese-monger's shop, and turns into the market-place; and before Mr. Snodgrass, who sits next to him, has recovered from his alarm, they pull up at the inn yard, where the fresh horses, with cloths on, are already waiting. The coachman throws down the reins and gets down himself, and the other outside passengers drop down also; except those who have no great confidence in their ability to get their feet against the coach to warm them—looking, with longing eyes and red noses, at the bright fire in the inn bar, and the sprig of holly with red berries which ornament the window.

But the guard has delivered at the corn-dealer's shop the brown paper packet he took out of the little pouch which hangs over his shoulder by a leathern strap; and has seen the horses carefully put to; and has thrown on the pavement the saddle which was brought from London on the coach-roof; and has assisted in the conference between the coachman and the hostler about the gray mare that hurt her off-fore-leg last Tuesday; and he and Mr. Weller are all right behind, and the coachman is all right in front, and the old gentleman, inside, who has kept the window down full two inches all this time, has pulled it up again, and the cloths are off, and they are all ready for sitting, except the two gentlemen, whom the coachman inquires after with some impatience. Hereupon the coachman, and the guard, and Sam Weller, and Mr. Winkle, and Mr. Snodgrass, and all the hostlers, and every one of the idlers, who are missing gentlemen as loud as they can bawl. A distant response is heard from the yard, and Mr. Pickwick and Mr. Tupman come running down it, each having a glass of ale apiece, and Mr. Pickwick's fingers are so cold that he has been full five minutes before he could find the stopper to pay for it. The coachman shouts an admonitory, "Now then, gentlemen!" the old gentleman inside thinks it a very extraordinary thing that people will get down when they know there isn't time for it; Mr. Pickwick struggles up on one side, Mr. Tupman on the other; Mr. Winkle cries "All right!" and off they start. Shawls are pulled up, coat-collars are readjusted, the payment ceases, the horses disappear, and they are once again dashing along the open road, with the fresh clear air blowing in their faces, and gladdening their very hearts within them.

ROASTING THE TURKEY

Prepare the dressing the day before but do not stuff the bird until just ready to roast. Start in a hot oven; lower the flames in about half an hour, after the turkey has browned slightly. Cover and roast, basting every fifteen minutes, until about half an hour before the bird is finished. Remove the cover and allow the turkey to brown the remainder of the roasting period. The giblets, which have been cooked previously, should be chopped and added to the gravy.

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The North side of the roof garden has been converted into a sort of children's playground with see-saws, ping-pong tables, a small gallery for throwing darts, place for skipping and other games so dear to the hearts of children.

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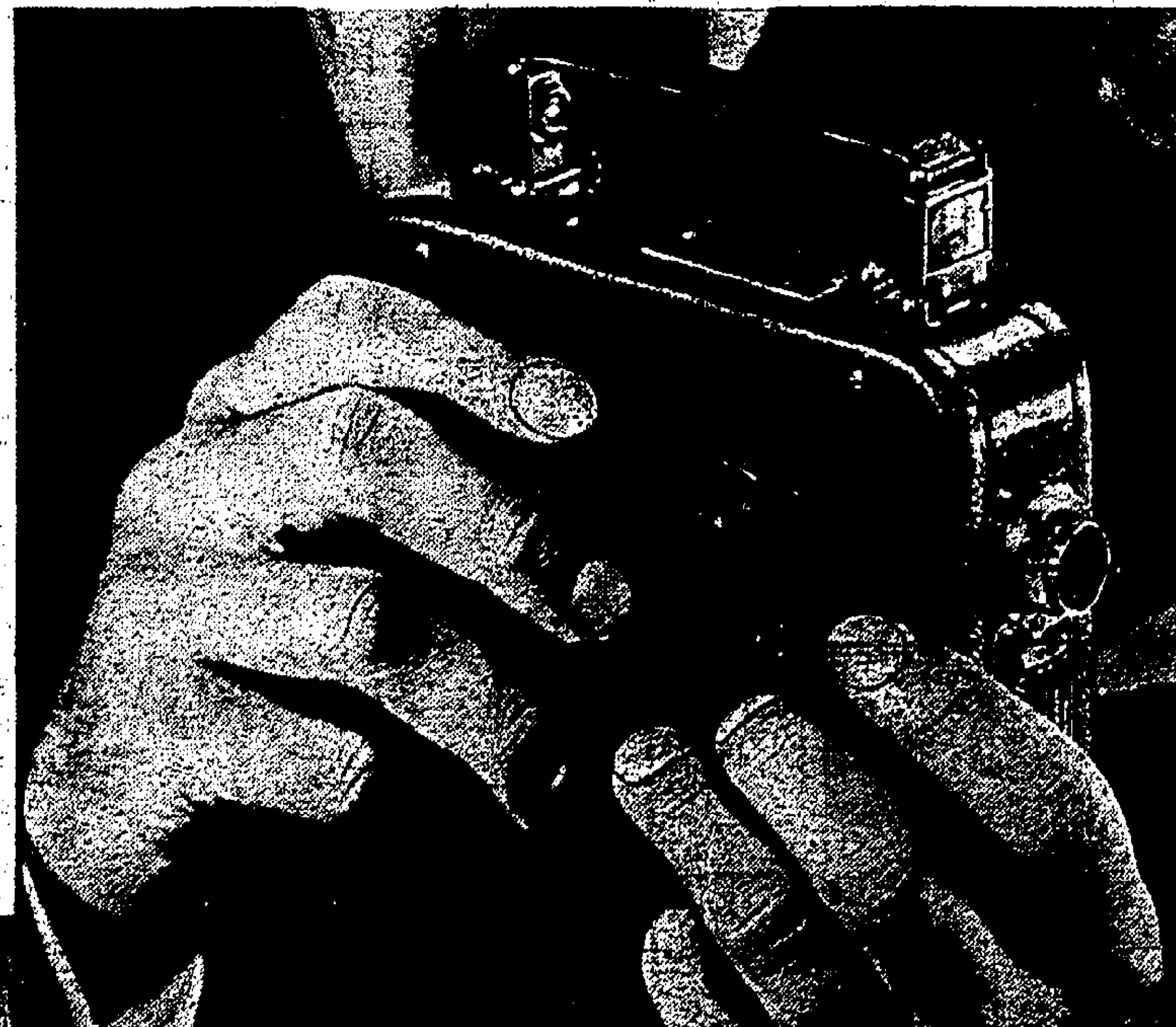
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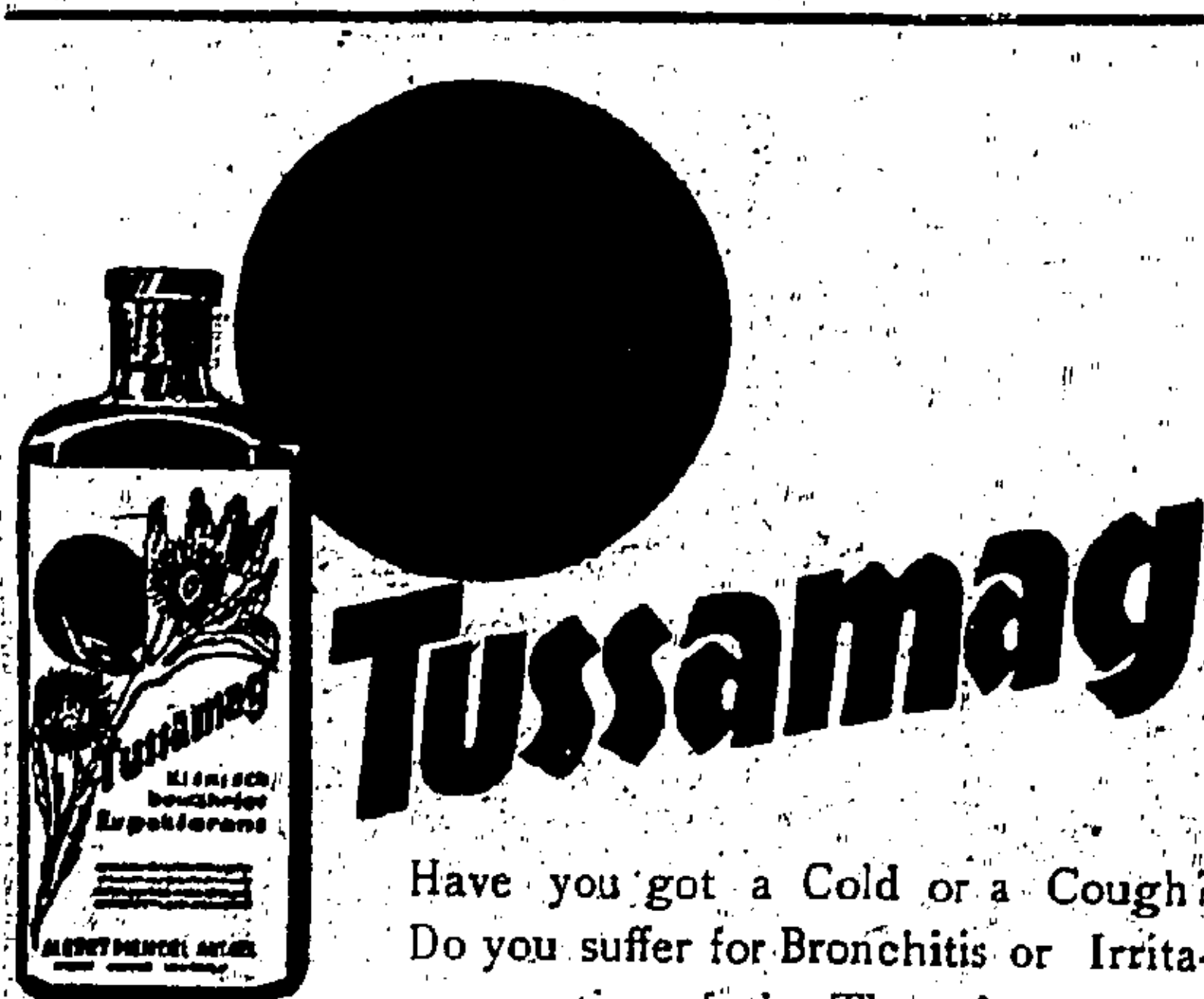
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King Arthur's Waes-Hael

By

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Waes Hael for knight and dame!
O merry, be their dole!
Drink-hael! in Jesu's name.
We fill the tawny bowl;

But cover down the curving crest,
Mould of the Orient Lady's breast.
Waes-hael! yet lift no lid:
Drain ye the reeds for wine.

Drink-hael! the milk was hid
That soothed that Babe divine;
Hush'd, as this hollow channel
flows,
He drew the balsam from the rose.

Waes-hael! thus glow'd the breast
Where a God yearn'd to cling;
Drink-hael! so Jesu press'd
Drink-hael! so Jesu press'd
Life from its mystic spring;

Then hush and bend in reverent
sign

And breathe the thrilling reeds for
wine.
Waes-hael! in shadow scene
Lo! Christmas children we:
Drink-hael! behold we lean
At a far Mother's knee;
To dream that thus her bosom
smiled,
And learn the lip of Bethlehem's
Child.

Let's Be Kids Again!

Christmas is magic. It's hard to say what starts it—the strings of spiky, silvery stuff hung up in the shops, and looking like hairy caterpillars from the South Pole, etherealised and indefinitely prolonged; the bits of Christmas Bush in people's buttonholes, the December racket of the cicadas, the Monday morning sun-burns, or little Willie chasing a blow-fly out of the kitchen with shouts of joy.

But Christmas is magic, and we do things at that time that at any other season would land us in what Americans call "the nut factory." We eat fat, hot plum-pudding when the thermometer's up in the nineties and the perspiration's running down our brows (and it doesn't do us a half-penny worth of harm!). We give each other cards with robin-red-breasts and holly on them, though most of us wouldn't really know what these things were if we were introduced to them.

And all this is very well, for to my way of thinking sanity is largely insanity, and insanity the raw material of songs, and prophecies, and true dreams, and love.

Didn't we have fun then? And why, in the name of all that's ridiculous and glorious, can't we have fun now—seeing it's Chris-

mas and the hot plum-pudding's coming triumphantly into the hot dining-room decorated with those endless silvery "caterpillars" and the soundless chimes of red and yellow Christmas bells?

Forget all about the late thirties and the early forties (or the higher numbers, that, anyhow, are only taking us back towards our "second youth"); forget the doctors, the dentists, the plumbers, the radio-license inspectors, the lay-byes, and the bill from the garage; forget the arguments, and the forgotten anniversaries, and each other's relatives—just forget to remember them.

Anyway, they're not real—not as real as play, and poems, and a little kiss in the pantry passage, and a laugh at the kitchen and a sigh for the baby.

(Don't you believe me? Then read the scientific text-book, and find out how unreal most so called "real" things are: things like tables, and stoves, and funeral monuments. They're just vibrating centres of electric energy, as unsubstantial—or as substantial—as a thought. "In a thousand years or so where are they? But a song or a love-story is still travelling on with men and women, making them tender and glad.")

A Christmas Calendar

from

"The Twelve Months"

Now doth the Lawyer make an end of his Harvest, and the client of his money.....The Asses that hath borne all the years must now take a little Rest. The Ox and the Cow, and the Horse and the Mare shall have their Christmasse provant. Now Plum-bes and Spice, Sugar and Honey square it among Pies and broth; and Gossip I drink to you; and how doo you, and you are heartily welcome, I pray be merry, and I thank you. Now are the Taylors and the Tyre makers full of work against the Hollidays, and a journey-man cares not a rush for his Master, though he beg his Plum-pottage all the twelve dayes. Now or never must the Musick be in tune, for the youth must dance and sing while the aged sit by the fire; Nature hath made it a law and reason finds no contradiction.....The Footman, how shall have many a fowle step, and the Ostler have work enough about the heels of the horses.....The Country maid leaves half her Market, and must be sent againe, if she forgets a pair of cards on Christmasse Even. Great is the contention of Holly and Ivy, whether Master or Dame wears the breeches. The price of meat riseth apace, and the Apparrell of the proud makes the Taylors rich, and as proud as themselves. Dice and the cards benefit the Butler; and if the cook doe not lack wit he will sweetly lick his fingers. Now Starchers and Laundresses have their hands full of work, and periwigs, and paintings will not be a little set by; strange stuffs will be well sold, strange tales well told, strange sights much sought, strange things much bought, and what else as falls out.

Christmasse is come and the Wild Swan, the Teals, and the Mallard are meat for the Land-lords mouth, and the Tenants too, if he can get them. For your health keep your bodies warme, let your meat be hot of quality, abstaine from physick, and let your kitchen be your Apothecaries Shop, warme cloathing your Nurse, merry company your keeper, and good hospitality your exercise, so God send you a merry Christmas.



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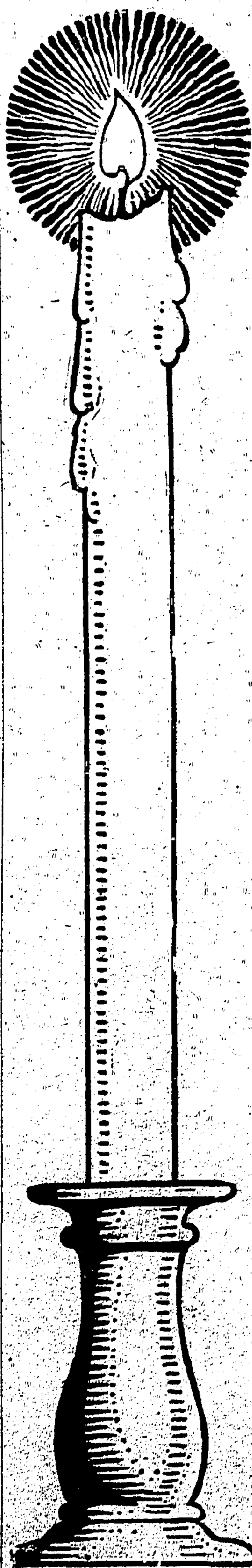
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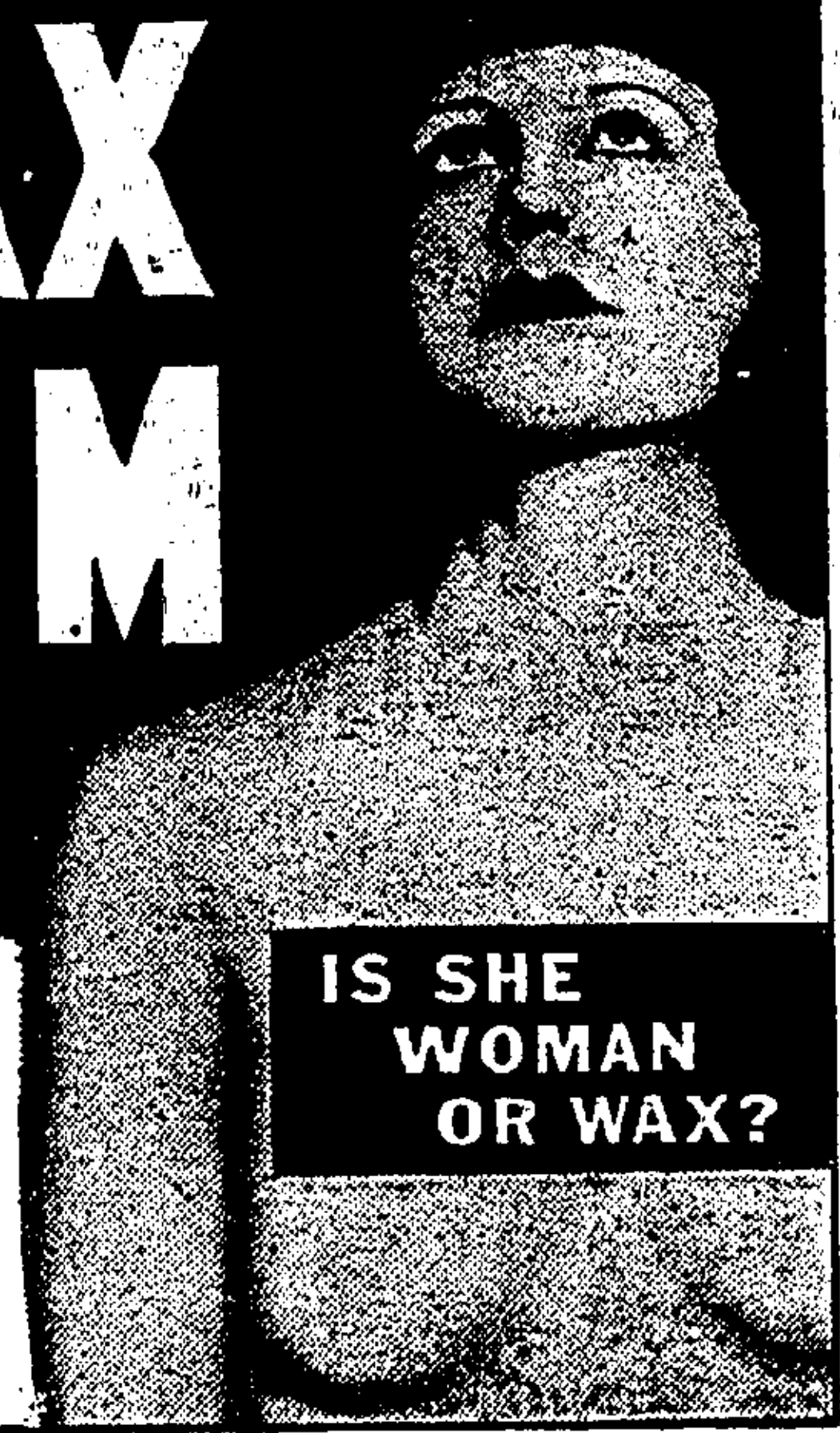
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The Gift of the Magi

by O'Henry

One dollar and eighty-seven cents. That was all. And sixty cents of it was in pennies. Pennies saved one and two at a time by bulldozing the grocer and the vegetable man and the butcher until one's cheeks burned with the silent imputation of parsimony that such close dealing implied. Three times Della counted it. One dollar and eighty-seven cents. And the next day would be Christmas.

There was clearly nothing to do but flop down on the shabby little couch and howl. So Della did it. Which instigates the moral reflection that life is made up of sobs, sniffles, and smiles, with sniffles predominating.

While the mistress of the home is gradually subsiding from the first stage to the second, take a look at the home. A furnished flat at \$8 per week. It did not exactly beggar description, but it certainly had that word on the lookout for the mendicancy squad.

In the vestibule below was a letter-box into which no letter would go, and an electric button from which no mortal finger could coax a ring. Also appertaining thereto was a card bearing the name "Mr. James Dillingham Young."

The "Dillingham" had been flung to the breeze during a former period of prosperity when its possessor was being paid \$30 per week. Now, when the income was shrunk to \$20, the letters of "Dillingham" looked blurred, as though they were thinking seriously of contracting to a modest and unassuming D. But whenever Mr. James Dillingham Young came home and reached his flat above he was called "Jim" and greatly hugged by Mrs. James Dillingham Young, already introduced to you as Della. Which is all very good.

Della finished her cry and attended to her cheeks with the powder rag. She stood by the window and looked out dully at a grey cat walking a grey fence in a grey backyard. Tomorrow would be Christmas Day, and she had only \$1.87 with which to buy Jim a present. She had been saving every penny she could for months, with this result: Twenty dollars a week doesn't go far. Expenses had been greater than she had calculated. They always are. Only \$1.87 to buy a present for Jim. Her Jim. Many a happy hour she had spent planning for something nice for him. Something fine and rare and sterling—something just a little bit near to being worthy of the honour of being owned by Jim.

There was a pier-glass between the windows of the room. Perhaps you have seen a pier-glass in an \$8 flat. A very thin and very agile person may, by observing his reflection in a rapid sequence of longitudinal strips, obtain a fairly accurate conception of his looks. Della, being slender, had mastered the art.

Suddenly she whirled from the window and stood before the glass. Her eyes were shining brilliantly, but her face had lost its colour within twenty seconds. Rapidly she pulled down her hair and let it fall to its full length.

Now, there were two possessions of the James Dillingham Youngs in which they both took a mighty pride. One was Jim's gold watch that had been his father's and his grandfather's. The other was Della's hair. Had the Queen of Sheba lived in the flat across the airshaft, Della would have let her hair hang out the window some day to dry just to depreciate Her Majesty's jewels and gifts. Had King Solomon been the janitor, with all his treasures piled up in the basement, Jim would have pulled out his watch every time he passed, just to see him pluck at his beard from envy.

So now Della's beautiful hair fell about her, rippling and shining like a cascade of brown waters. It reached below her knee and made itself almost a garment for her. And then she did it up again nervously and quickly. Once she faltered for a minute and stood still while a tear of two splashed on the worn red carpet.

On went her old brown jacket; on went her old brown hat. With a whirl of skirts and with the brilliant sparkle still in her eyes, she fluttered out the door and down the stairs to the street.

Where she stopped the sign read: "Mrs. Sofronie. Hair Goods of All Kinds." One flight up Della ran and collected herself, panting. Madame, large, too white, chilly, hardly looked the "Sofronie."

"Will you buy my hair?" asked Della.

"I buy hair," said Madame. "Take your hat off and let's have a sight at the looks of it."

Down rippled the brown cascade. "Twenty dollars," said Madame, lifting the mass with a practised hand.

"Give it to me quick," said Della.

Oh, and the next two hours tripped by on rosy wings. Forget the hashed metaphor. She was ransacking the stores for Jim's present.

She found it at last. It surely had been made for Jim and no one else. There was no other like it in any of the stores, and she had turned all of them inside out. It was a platinum fob chain simple and chaste in design, properly proclaiming its value by substance alone and not by meretricious ornamentation—as all good things should do. It was even worthy of The Watch. As soon as she saw it she knew that it must be Jim's. It was like him. Quietness and value—the description applied to both. Twenty-one dollars they took from her for it, and she hurried home with the \$7 cents. With these chains on his watch Jim might be properly anxious about the time in any company. Grand as the watch was, he sometimes looked at it on the sly on account of the old leather strap that he used in place of a chain.

When Della reached home her intoxication gave way a little to prudence and reason. She got out her curling irons and lighted the gas and went to work repairing the ravages made by generosity added to love. Which is always a tremendous task, dear friends—a mammoth task.

Within forty minutes her head was covered with tiny, close-lying curls that made her look wonderfully like a truant schoolboy. She looked at her reflection in the mirror, long, carefully, and critically.

"If Jim doesn't kill me," she said to herself, "before he takes a second look at me, he'll say I look like a Coney Island chorus girl. But what could I do—oh! what could I do with a dollar and eighty-seven cents?"

At 7 o'clock the coffee was made and the frying-pan was on the back of the stove hot and ready to cook the chops.

Jim was never late. Della doubled the fob chain in her hand and sat on the corner of the table near the door that he always entered. Then she heard his step on the stair away down on the first flight, and she turned white for just a moment. She had a habit of saying little silent prayers about the simplest everyday things, and now she whispered: "Please God, make him think I am still pretty."

The door opened and Jim stepped in and closed it. He looked thin and every serious. Poor fellow, he was only twenty-two, and to be burdened with a family! He needed a new overcoat and he was without gloves.

Jim stopped inside the door, as immovable as a setter at the scent of quail. His eyes were fixed upon Della, and there was an expression in them that she could not read, and it terrified her. It was not anger, nor surprise, nor disapproval, nor horror, nor any of the sentiments that she had been prepared for. He simply stared at her fixedly with that peculiar expression on his face.

Della wriggled off the table and went for him.

"Jim, darling," she cried, "don't look at me that way. I had my hair cut off and sold it because I couldn't have lived through Christmas without giving you a present. It'll grow out again—you won't mind, will you? I just had to do it. My hair—grows awfully fast. Say 'Merry Christmas!' Jim, and let's be happy. You don't know what a nice—what a beautiful, nice gift I've got for you."

"You've cut off your hair?" asked Jim, laboriously, as if he had not arrived at that patent fact yet even after the hardest mental labour.

"Cut it off and sold it," said Della. "Don't you like me just as well, anyhow? I'm me without my hair, ain't I?"

Jim looked about the room curiously.

"You say your hair is gone?" he said, with an air almost of idleness.

"You needn't look for it," said Della. "It's sold, I tell you—sold and gone, too. It's Christmas Eve, boy. Be good to me, for it went for you. Maybe the hairs of my head were numbered," she went on with a sudden serious sweetness, "but nobody could ever count my love for you. Shall I put the chops on, Jim?"

Out of his trance Jim seemed quickly to wake. He enfolded his Della. For ten seconds let us regard with discreet scrutiny some inconsequential object in the other direction. Eight dollars a week or a million a year—what is the difference? A mathematician or a wit would give you the wrong answer. The magi brought valuable gifts, but that was not among them. This dark assertion will be illuminated later on.

Jim drew a package from his overcoat pocket and threw it upon the table.

"Don't make any mistake, Dell," he said, "about me. I don't think there's anything in the way of a haircut or a shave or a shampoo that could make me like my girl any less. But if you'll unwrap that package you may see you have me going a while at first."

White fingers and nimble tore at the string and paper. And then an ecstatic scream of joy; and then, alas! a quick feminine change to hysterical tears and wails, necessitating the immediate employment of all the comforting powers of the lord of the flat.

For there lay The Combs—the set of combs, side and back, that Della had worshipped for long in a Broadway window. Beautiful combs, pure tortoise shell, with jewelled rims—just the shade to wear in the beautiful vanished hair. They were expensive combs, she knew, and her heart had simply craved and yearned over them without the least hope of possession. And now they were hers, but the tresses that should have adorned the coveted adornments were gone.

But she hugged them to her bosom, and at length she was able to look up with dim eyes and a smile, and say: "My hair grows so fast, Jim!"

And then Della leaped up like a little singed cat and cried, "Oh, oh!"

Jim had not yet seen his beautiful present. She held it out to him eagerly upon her open palm. The dull precious metal seemed to flash with a reflection of her bright and ardent spirit.

"Isn't it a dandy, Jim? I hunted all over town to find it."

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You'll have to look at the time a hundred times a day now. Give me your watch. I want to see how it looks on it."

Instead of obeying, Jim tumbled down on the couch and put his hands under the back of his head and smiled.

"Dell," said he, "let's put our Christmas presents away and keep 'em a while. They're too nice to use just at present. I sold the watch to get the money to buy your combs. And now suppose you put the chops on."

The magi, as you know, were wise men—wonderfully wise men—who brought gifts to the Babe in the manger. They invented the art of giving Christmas presents. Being wise, their gifts were no doubt wise ones, possibly bearing the privilege of exchange in case of duplication. And here I have lamely related to you the uneventful chronicle of two foolish children in a flat who most unwisely sacrificed for each other the greatest treasures of their house. But in a last word to the wise of these days let it be said that of all who give gifts these two were the wisest. Of all who give and receive gifts, such as they are wisest. Everywhere they are wisest. They are the magi.

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3 Wassail Song

"Here we come a wassailing,
Among the leaves so green,
Here we come a wandering,
So fair to be seen.

We are not dally beggars,
That beg from door to door;
But we are neighbours' children,
Whom you have seen before.

Here we have a little purse
Of stretching leather skin,
A little from your money bags
Would line it well within.

So bring us out a table,
And spread it with a cloth;

And bring us out a mouldy cheese,
And some of your Christmas loaf.

God bless the master of this house,
Likewise the mistress too,
And all the little children,

That round the table go!
The Loving Cup filled with
sweetened and spiced wine handed
round at the Feasts of the City of
London Companies is the true
descendant of the Wassail Bowl;
but those who wish for a proper
wassailing after the old style will
take note of the following.

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Put into a bowl 1 lb. of Lisbon sugar; pour on it 1 pint of warm beer; grate a nutmeg and some ginger into it; add 5 additional pints of beer; stir well; sweeten to taste; cover up and keep covered for 3 hours; then add 4 thin slices of toasted bread and 4 roasted apples which will float pleasantly on the top. You can then begin wassailing, or, if you prefer to blemish the mixture and drink it unceremoniously, it will be ready for use in a few days in an effervescent state.

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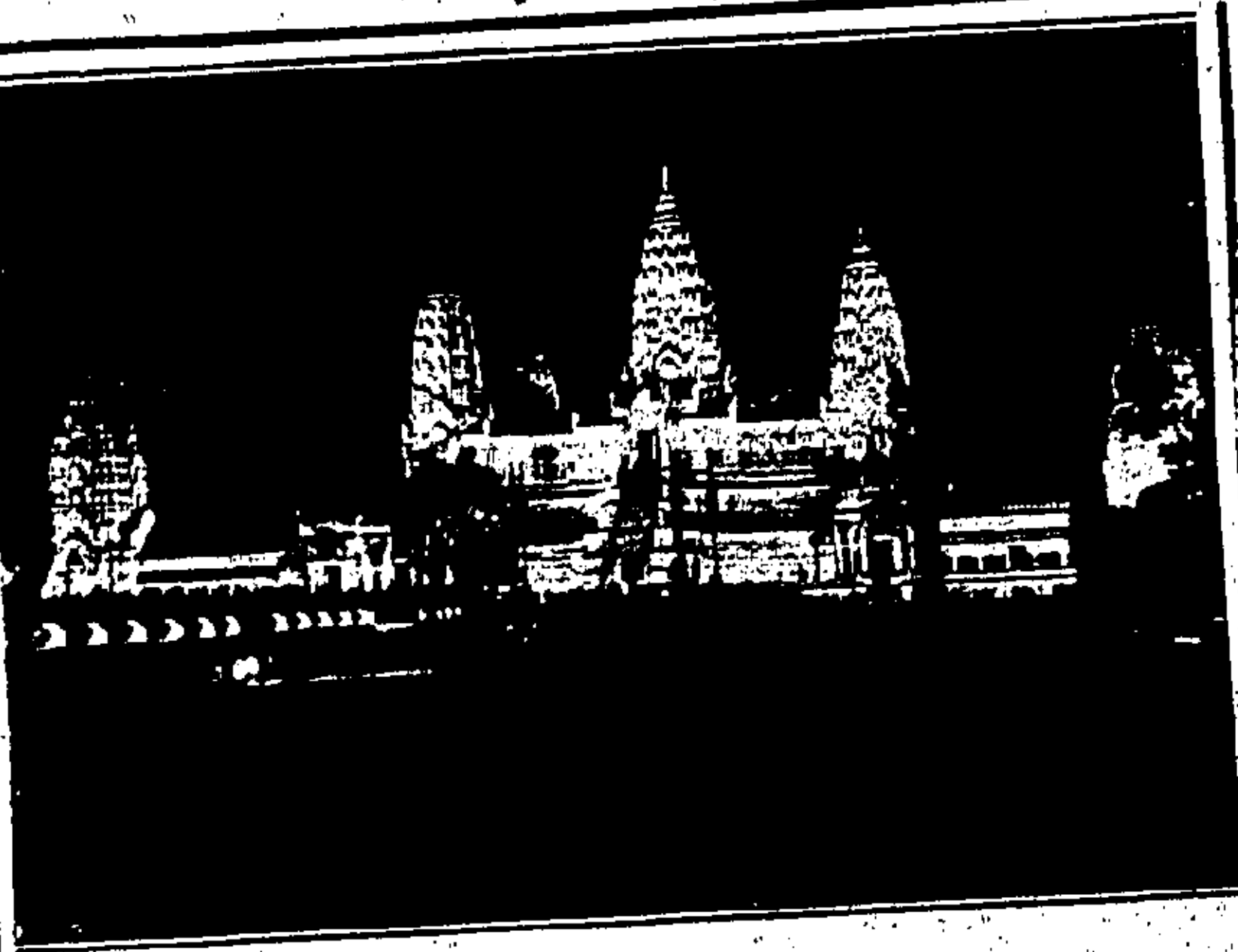
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Seven Poor Travellers

by
Charles Dickens

Strictly speaking, there were only six poor travellers; but, being a traveller myself, though an idle one, and being withal as poor as I hope to be, I brought the number up to seven. This word of explanation is due at once, off what says the inscription over the quaint old door?

Richard Watts, Esq.
by his Will, dated 22 August, 1578, founded this Charity for Six poor Travellers.

who not being Rogues, or Proctors, May receive gratis for one Night, Lodging, Entertainment, and Fourpence each.

It was in the ancient little city of Rochester in Kent, of all the good days in the year upon a Christmas Eve, that I stood reading this inscription over the quaint old door in question. I had been wandering about the neighbouring cathedral, and had seen the tomb of Richard Watts, with the effigy of worthy Master Richard starting out of it like a ship's figure-head; and I had felt that I could do no less, as I gave the verger his fee, than inquire the way to Watt's Charity. The way being very short and very plain, I had come prosperously to the inspection and the quaint old door.

"Now," said I to myself as I looked at the knocker, "I know I am not a proctor; I wonder whether am a rogue!"

Upon the whole, though conscience reproached two or three pretty faces which might have had smaller attraction for a moral Goliath than they had had for me, who am but a Tom Thumb in that way, I came up to the conclusion that I was a rogue. So, beginning to regard the establishment as in some sort my property, bequeathed to me and divers colleagues, share and share alike, by the Worshipful Master Richard Watts, I stepped backward into the road to survey my inheritance.

I found it to be a clean white house, of a staid and venerable air, with the quaint, old door already three times mentioned (an arched door), choice little long low lattice-windows, and a roof of three gables. The silent High Street of Rochester is full of gables, with old beams and timbers carved into strange faces. It is oddly garnished with a queer old clock that projects over the pavement out of a grave red-brick building, as if Time carried on business there, and hung out his sign. Sooth to say, he did an active stroke of work in Rochester, in the old days of the Romans, and the Saxons, and the Normans; and down to the times of King John, when the rugged castle—I will not undertake to say how many hundreds of years old then—was abandoned to the centuries of weather which have so defaced the dark apertures in its walls, that the ruin looks as if the rooks and daws had pecked its eyes out.

"I was very well pleased, both with my property and its situation. While I was yet surveying it with growing content, I espied, at one of the upper lattices which stood open, a decent body, of a wholesome matronly appearance, whose eyes I caught inquiringly addressed to mind. They said so plainly, 'Do you wish to see the house?' that I answered aloud, 'Yes, if you please.' And within a minute the old door opened, and I bent my head, and went down two steps into the entry.

"That," said the matronly presence ushering me into a low room on the right, "is where the travellers sit by the fire, and cook what bits of suppers they but with their fourpences."

"Oh! Then they have no entertainment?" said I. For the inscription over the outer door was still running in my head, and I was mentally repeating, in a kind of tune, "Lodging, entertainment, and fourpence each."

"They have a fire provided for 'em," returned the matron—a mighty civil person, not, as I could make out, overpaid—and these cooking utensils. And this what's painted on a board is the rules for their behaviour. They have their fourpences when they get their tickets from the steward over the wall—for I don't admit 'em myself; they must get their tickets first—and sometimes one buys a fasher of bacon, and another a herring, and another a pound of potatoes, or what not. Sometimes two or three of 'em will club their fourpences together, and make a suppper, that way. But not much of anything is to be got for fourpence, at present, when provisions is so dear."

"Thus indeed," I remarked. I had been looking about the room, admiring its snug fireside at the

upper end, its glimpse of the street through the low mullioned window, and its beams overhead. "It is very comfortable," said I.

"Ill-convenient," observed the matronly presence.

I liked to hear her say so; for it showed a commendable anxiety to execute in no niggardly spirit the intentions of Messrs. Richard Watts. But the room was really so well adapted to its purpose, that I protested, quite enthusiastically, against her disparagement.

"Nay, ma'am," said I, "I am sure it is warm in winter and cool in summer. It has a look of homely welcome and soothing rest. It has a remarkably cosy fireside, the very blink of which, gleaming out into the street upon a winter night, is enough to warm all Rochester's heart. And as to the convenience of the six poor travellers—"

"I don't mean them," returned the presence. "I speak of its being an ill-convenience to myself and my daughter, having no other room to sit in of a night."

"This was true enough, but there was another quaint room of corresponding dimensions on the opposite side of the entry; so I stepped across to it, through the open doors of both rooms, and asked what this chamber was for.

"This," returned the presence, "the board-room. Where the gentlemen meet when they come here."

Let me see. I had counted from the street six upper windows besides these on the ground-storey. Making a perplexed calculation in my mind, I rejoiced. "Then the six poor travellers sleep upstairs?"

My new friend shook her head. "They sleep," she answered, "in two little outer galleries at the back," where their beds has always been, ever since the Charity was founded. It being so very ill-convenient was 'founded' to me as things is at present, the gentlemen are going to take off a bit of the back yard, and make a slip of the room for 'em; there, to sit in before they go to bed."

"And then the six poor travellers," said I, "will be entirely out of the house?"

"Entirely out of the house," assented the presence, comfortably smoothing her hands. "Which is considered much better for all parties, and much more convenient."

I had been a little startled, in the cathedral, by the emphasis with which the effigy of Master Richard Watts was bursting out of his tomb; but I began to think, now, that it might be expected to come across the High Street some stormy night, and make a disturbance here.

Howbeit, I kept my thoughts to myself, and accompanied the presence to the little galleries at the back. I found them on a tiny scale, like the galleries in old inns; and they were very clean. While I was looking at them, the matron gave me to understand that the prescribed number of poor travellers were forthcoming every night from year's end to year's end; and that the beds were always occupied. My questions upon this, and her replies, brought us back to the board-room so essential to the dignity of "the gentlemen," where she showed me the printed accounts of the Charity hanging up by the window. From them I gather that the Worshipful Master Richard Watts for the maintenance of this foundation was, at the period of his death, mere marsh-land; but that, in course of time, it had been reclaimed and built upon, and was very considerably increased in value. I found, too, that about a thirtieth part of the annual revenue was now expended on the purposes commemorated in the inscription over the door; the rest being handsomely laid out in Chancery, law expenses, collector, ship, receivership, poundage, and other appendages of management highly complimentary to the importance of the six poor travellers. short, I made the not entirely new discovery that it may be said of an establishment like this, is dear old England, as of the oyster in the American story; that it takes a good many men to swallow it whole.

"And pray, ma'am," said I, sensible that the blankness of my face began to brighten as the thought occurred to me, "could one see these travellers?"

"Well," she returned dubiously, "no."

"Not to-night, for instance?" said I.

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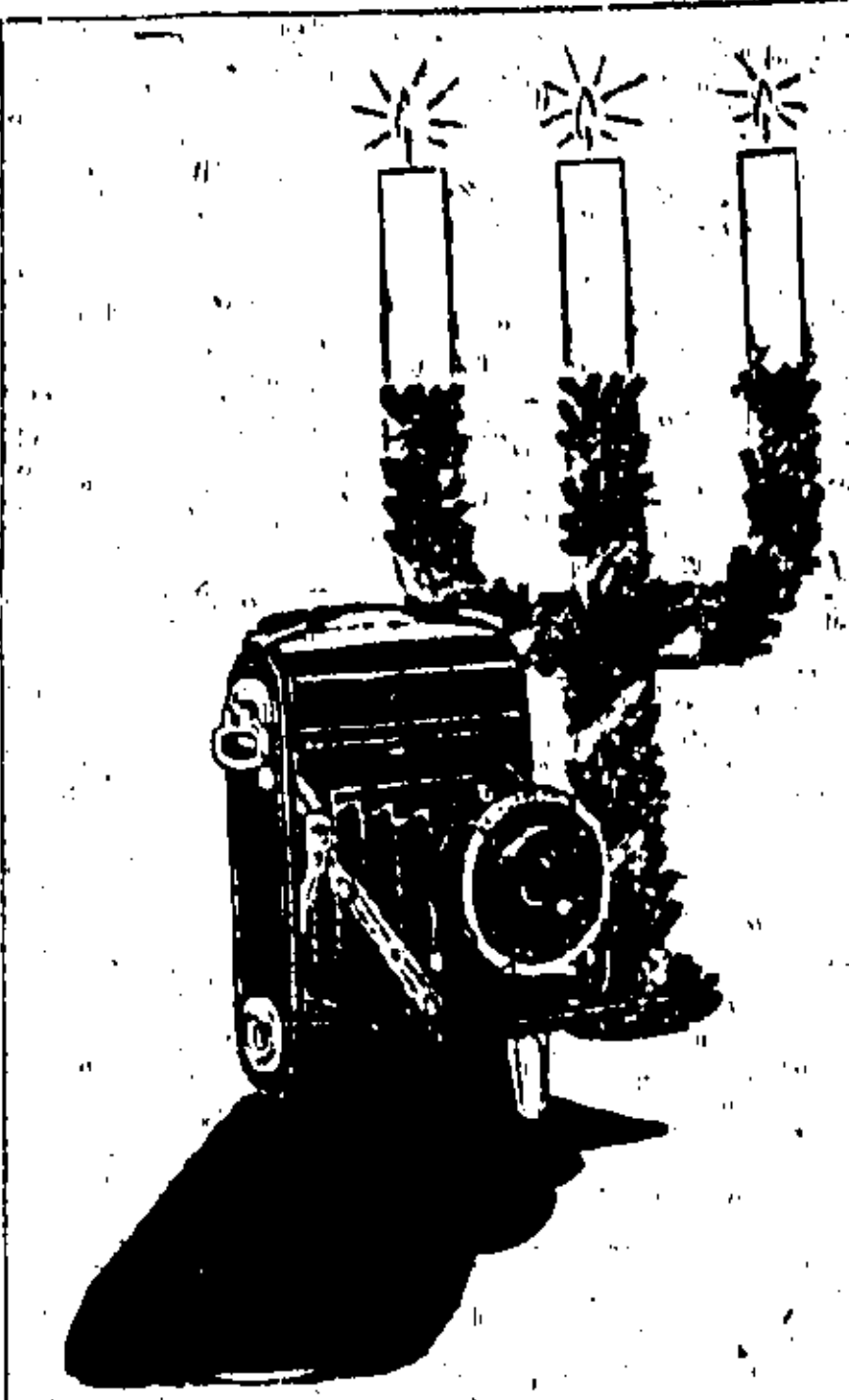
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Christmas time! That man must be a misanthrope indeed in whose breast something like a jovial feeling is not roused, in whose mind some pleasant associations are not awakened, by the recurrence of Christmas. There are people who will tell you that Christmas is not to them what it used to be; that each succeeding Christmas has found cherished hope, or happy prospect, of the year before, dimmed or passed away; that the present only serves to remind them of reduced circumstances and straitened incomes—of the feasts they once bestowed on fellow friends, and of the cold looks that meet them now, in adversity and misfortune. Never heed such dismal reminiscences. There are few men who have lived long enough in the world, who cannot call up such thoughts any day in the year. Then do not select the merriest of the three hundred and sixty-five for your doleful recollections, but draw your chair nearer the blazing fire—fill the glass, and send round the song—and if your room be smaller than it was a dozen years ago, or if your glasses be filled with reeking punch instead of sparkling wine, put a good face on the matter, and empty it off-hand, and fill another, and troll off the old ditty you used to sing, and thank God it's no worse. Look on the merry faces of your children (if you have any) as they sit round the fire. One little seat may be empty; one slight form that gladdened the father's heart, and roused the mother's pride to look upon, may not be there. Dwell not upon the past; think not that one short year ago the fair child, now resolving into dust, sat before you, with the bloom of health upon its cheek, and the gaiety of infancy in its joyous eye. Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has many—not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some. Fill your glass again, with a merry face and contented heart. Our life on it, but, your Christmas shall be merry, and your new year a happy one!

Who can be insensible to the outpourings of good feeling, and the honest interchange of affectionate attachment, which abound at this season of the year? A Christmas family party! We know nothing in nature more delightful! There seems a magic in the very name of Christmas. Petty jealousies and discords are forgotten; social feelings are awakened in bosoms to which they have long been strangers; father and son, or brother and sister, who have met and parted with averted gaze, or a look of cold recognition, for months before, proffer and return the cordial embrace, and bury past animosities in their present happiness. Kindly hearts that have yearned towards each other, but have been withheld by false notions of pride and self-dignity, are again reunited, and all is kindness and benevolence! Would that Christmas lasted the whole year through (as it ought), and that the prejudices and passions which deform our better nature were never called into action among those to whom they should ever be strangers!

The Christmas family party that we mean is not a mere assemblage of relations, got up at a week or two's notice, originating this year, having no family precedent in the last, and not likely to be repeated in the next. No, it is an annual gathering of all the accessible members of the family, young or old, rich or poor; and all the children look forward to it, for two months beforehand in a fever of anticipation. Formerly it was held at grandpa's; but grandpa getting old, and grandmamma getting old too, and rather infirm, they have given up housekeeping, and domesticated themselves with Uncle George; so the party always takes place at Uncle George's house, but grandmamma sends in most of the good things, and grandpa always WILL toddle down, all the way to Newgate Market, to buy turkey, which he engages a porter to bring home behind him in triumph, always insisting on the man's being rewarded with a glass of spirits, over and above his hire, to drink "a merry Christmas and a happy new year" to Aunt George. As to grandmamma, she is very secret and mysterious for two or three days beforehand, but not sufficiently so to prevent rumour getting about that she has purchased a beautiful new cap, with pink ribbons for each of the servants, together

with sundry books, and penknives, and pencil-cases, for the younger branches; to say nothing of dyer's secret additions to the order originally given by Aunt George at the pastrycook's, such as another dozen of mince-pies, for the dinner, and a large plum-cake for

On Christmas-eve, grandmamma is always in excellent spirits, and after employing all the children, during the day, in stoning the plums, and all that, insists regularly every year, on Uncle George coming down into the kitchen, taking off his coat, and stirring the pudding for half an hour or so, which Uncle George good-humouredly does to the volubrious delight of the children servants. The evening concludes with a glorious game of blind-man's buff, in an early stage of which grandpa takes great care to be caught, in order that he may have an opportunity of displaying his dexterity.

On the following morning, the old couple, with as many of the children as the pew will hold, go to church in great state; leaving Aunt George at home dusting decanters and filling casters, and Uncle George carrying bottles in to the dining-parlour, and calling for corkscrews, and getting into everybody's way.

When the church party return to lunch, grandpa produces a small sprig of mistletoe from his pocket, and tempts the boys to kiss their little cousins under it—a proceeding which affords both the boys and the old gentleman unlimited satisfaction, but which rather outrages grandmamma's ideas of decorum, until grandpa says that, when he was just thirteen years and three months old, HE kissed grandmamma under the mistletoe too, on which the

sation, excites a general inquiry of "Who's that?" and two or three children, who have been standing at the window, announce, in a low voice, that it's "poor Aunt Margaret!" Upon which Aunt George leaves the room to welcome the new-comer; and grandmamma draws herself up, rather stiff and stately; for Margaret married a poor man without her consent, and poverty not being a sufficiently weighty punishment for her offence, has been discarded by her friends, and debarred the society of her dearest relatives. But Christmas has come round; and the unkind feelings that have struggled against better dispositions during the year have melted away before its genial influence; like half-formed ice beneath the morning sun. It is not difficult in a moment of angry feeling for a parent to denounce a disobedient child; but to banish her, at a period of general good-will and hilarity, from the hearth round which she has sat on so many anniversaries of the same day, expanding by slow degrees from infancy to girlhood, and then bursting, almost imperceptibly, into a woman, is widely different. The air of conscious rectitude and cold forgiveness with which the old lady has assumed sits ill upon her; and when the poor girl is led in by her sister, pale in looks and broken in hope—not from poverty, for that she could bear, but from the consciousness of undeserved neglect and unmerited kindness—it is assumed. A momentary pause succeeds; the girl breaks suddenly from her sister, and throws herself, sobbing, on her mother's neck. The father steps hastily forward, and takes her husband's hand. Friends crowd round to offer their hearty congratulations and happiness and harmony again prevail.

As to the dinner, it's perfectly delightful—nothing goes wrong, and everybody is in the very best of spirits, and disposed to please and be pleased. Grandpa relates a circumstantial account of

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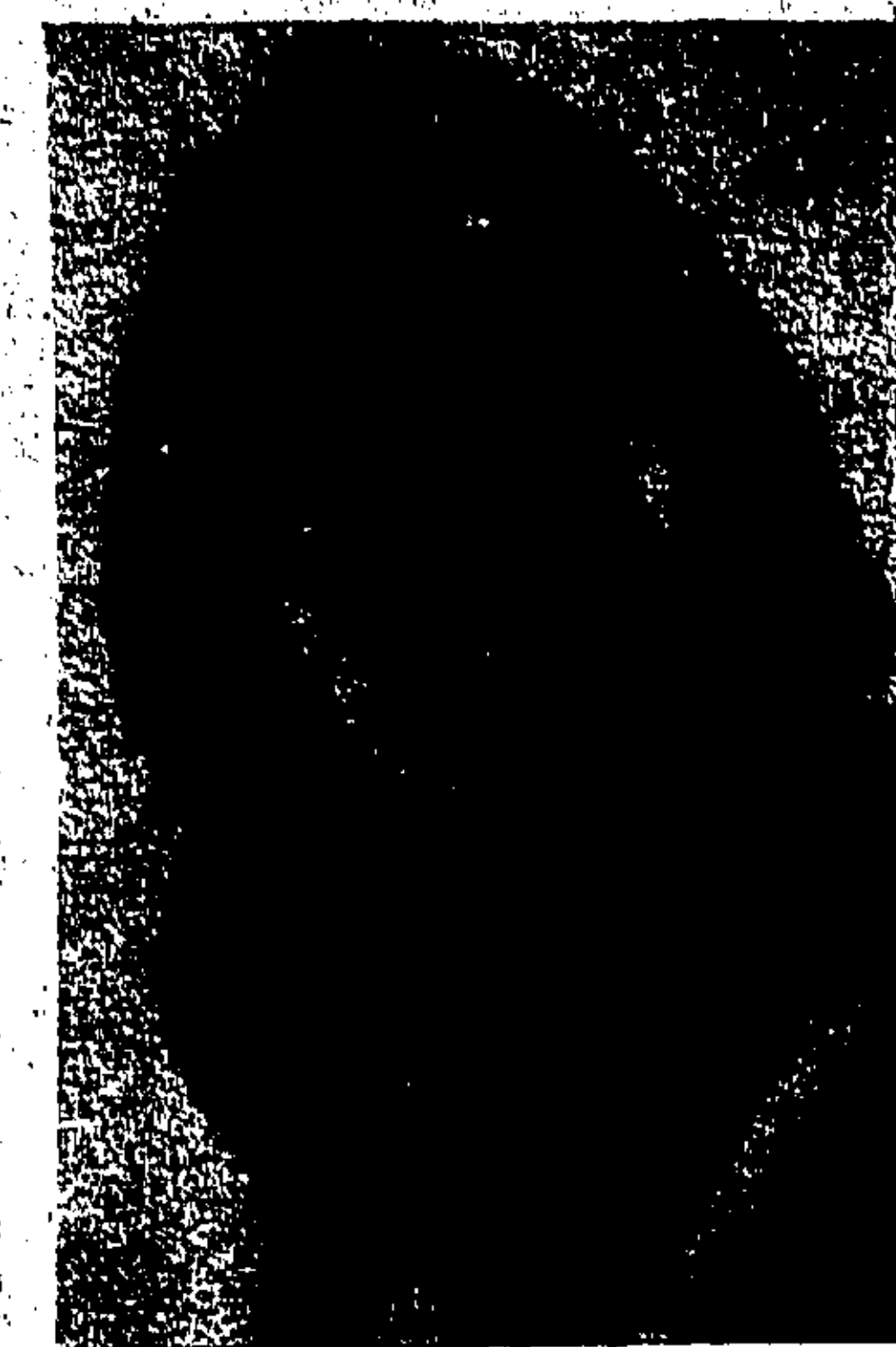


HE'S HERE AGAIN!

children clap their hands, and laugh very heartily, as do Aunt George and Uncle George; and grandmamma looks pleased, and says, with a benevolent smile, that grandpa was an impudent young dog, on which the children laugh very heartily again, and grandpa more heartily than any of them.

But all these diversions are nothing to the subsequent excitement when grandmamma in a high cap and slate-coloured silk gown, and grandpa with a beautifully-plated shirt-trill and white neckerchief, seat themselves on one side of the drawing-room fire, with Uncle George's children and little cousins, innumerable seated in front waiting the arrival of expected visitors. Suddenly a hackney-coach is heard to stop, and Uncle George, who has been looking out of the window, exclaims, "Here's Jane!" on which the children rush to the door, and help skelter down stairs; and Uncle Robert and Aunt Jane, and the dear little baby, and the nurse, and the whole party, are ushered up stairs amongst tumultuous shouts of "Oh, my!" from the children, and frequently-repeated warnings not to hurt baby from the nurse. And grandpa takes the child, and grandmamma kisses her daughter, and the confusion of this first entry has scarcely subsided, when some other aunts and uncles with more cousins arrive, and the grown-up cousins flirt with each other, and so do the little cousins too, for that matter, and nothing is to be heard but a confused din of talking, and merriment.

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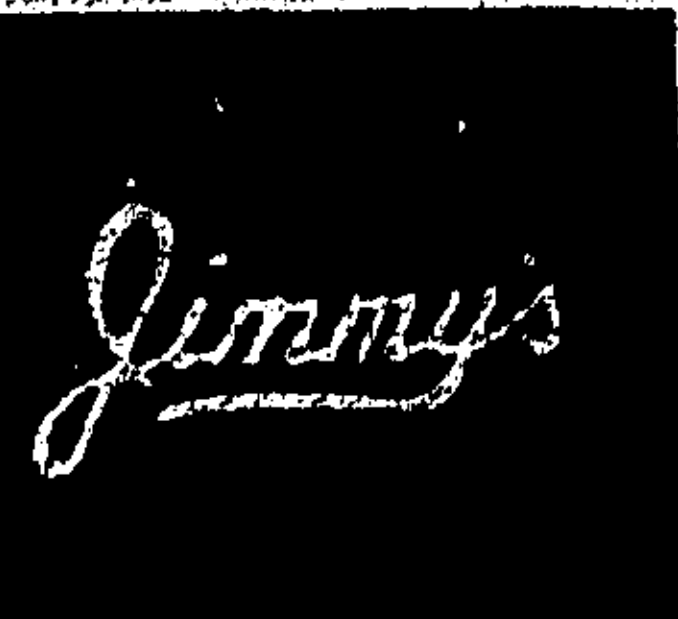
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Your old inn is a many-pointed star, at each point touching great event or pleasing anecdote. A single inn may evoke memories of Isaac Walton, Charles I, Walter Scott, Drunken Barnaby, Bollingbroke, George Borrow, Jonathan Swift; and all these memories and traditions are yours. Isn't it worth five pounds to sit down to dinner with that company, or to trip over that same unseen stair in the dark passages that sent Celia Fiennes to her hands and knees? Or to use that room at the Angel Grantham, where Richard signed Buckingham's death-warrant in 1483; or sleep in that caken four-poster at the Saracen's Head, Southwell, where Charles slept his last night of freedom before surrendering to the Scotch; or to sleep in the rooms where slept those shadowy

but urgently-living creatures of our novelists? To get the full savour of an old inn you should come to it at night, and best of all a winter night, or twilight, when the mists are rising and the soul is low, and a log fire and a dinner seem to be the twin stars of human aspiration. All of us know those moments, and that is why inns were made—to stand upon the pilgrim's way with an understanding smile for the pilgrim's weakness. They are a sign to us to shed austerity and vigilance, and to meet, and mingle with our fellows; to turn from our various occasions, lofty or low, and to ease our common needs and common anxieties in kindly communion.

Yuletide in France

By
Frederick George Scott

O little sprig of rosemary, I hear the song and laughter
When the board's head was carried in, adown the armoured hall.

And the rosemary and bay
Were as sweet as new-mown hay.
While the merriment of Yuletide was uniting great and small.

O little sprig of rosemary, I pluck you in the garden.
And my heart is sore and heavy with the cares we have to-day,
For the Christ has been among us.

And the Angel Hosts have sung us
All the happy songs of Heaven, but they sounded far away.

O little sprig of rosemary, as I pluck you in the garden,
In this little Gallic garden where the brave are laid to rest.

Ah English mother weeping
A sad, sad Yule is keeping.

Remembering one who once was the Christ-Child on her breast.

O little sprig of rosemary, I thank you for the dreaming,
In this hallowed Gallic garden, on this misty winter's day.

Your mission is to leave
This poor earth with thoughts of Heaven.

When, for those brave hearts that slumber here, we fold our hands and pray.

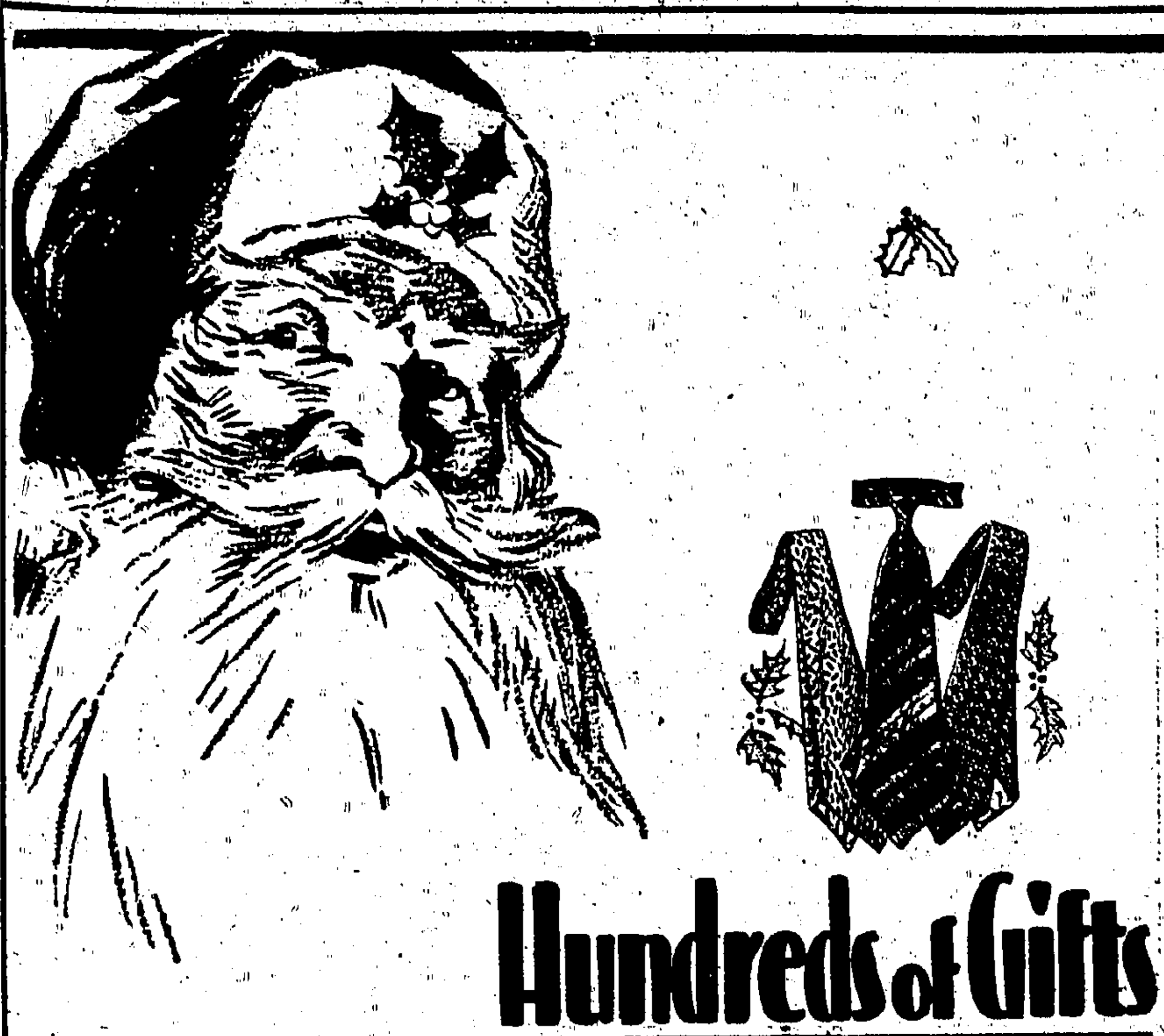
CHRISTMAS IN IRELAND

For the visitors there are two ways of spending Christmas in Ireland—alone or as one of a crowd. Anyone in search of a rest can find a beach, a lake or a mountain valley to which he will not be lonely, for, in Ireland, the stranger, if companionable, is adopted by the people and made free of their pleasant society at once. For those who prefer to be in the midst of typical Christmas enjoyment, in the best modern hotel spirit, Bundoran in Donegal, Dun Laoghaire (Kingstown) in Dublin, Rosslare Harbour in Wexford, Glenageary in Cork, Kiarney in Kerry are some of the places where there is plenty of life and movement at Christmas with golf, hunting and fine walking country at the door.

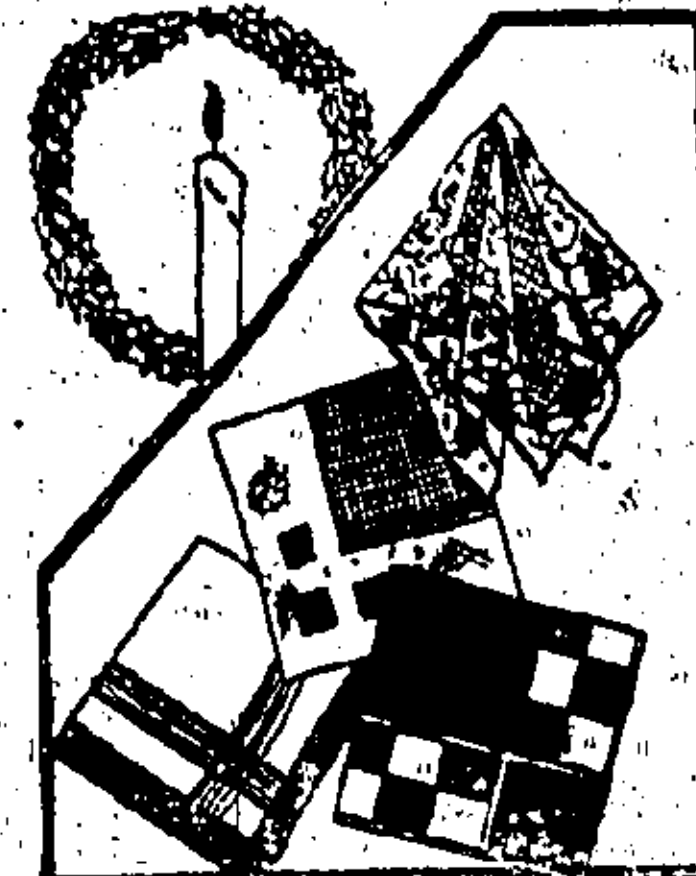
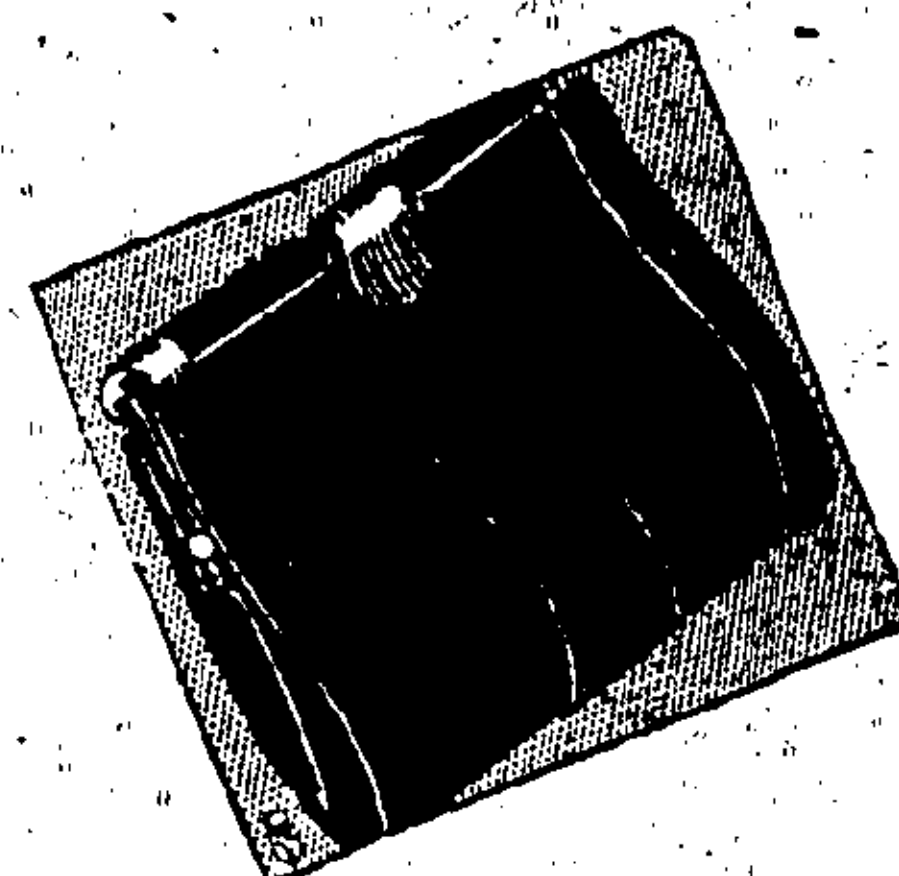
In the "real" Irish parts of the country, where the ancient language is still spoken along with English, that is in Donegal, parts of Connemara, Kerry and Cork, and in a few other places, one will see the old setting for Christmas unchanged. On Christmas night a lighted candle will burn in every window of the white-washed farm-houses. The farmer's children will be trying to count how many candle-lights they can see from their own home. A larger candle will be set in a sod of turf or turnip for holder. This will be the Christmas candle, to burn every night until the New Year. Cups and saucers will be upon the table, between meals, for wandering souls from Purgatory who may revisit their own homes. All of this older life of Ireland, co-existing in the midst of, and with the modern life, is one of the delightful discoveries for the Christmas visitor who moves a little out of the beaten tracks.

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Seven Poor Travellers

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"Well!" she returned more positively, "no. Nobody ever asked to see them, and nobody ever did see them."

As I am not easily hauled in a design when I am set upon it, I urged to the good lady that this was Christmas Eve; that Christmas comes but once a year—which is unhappily too true, for when it begins to stay with us the whole year round we shall make this earth a very different place; that I was possessed by the desire to treat the travellers to a supper and a temperate glass of hoo was-sall; that the voice of Fame had been heard in that land, declaring my ability to make hot was-sall; that if I were permitted to hold the feast, I should, in a word, that I could be merry and wise myself, and had been ever known at a punch to keep others so, although I was decorated with no badge or medal, and was not a brother, orator, apostle, saint, or prophet, of any denomination whatever. In the end I prevailed, to my great joy. It was settled that at nine o'clock that night a turkey and a piece of roast-beef should smoke upon the board; and that I, faint and unworthy minister for once of Master Richard Watts, should preside as the Christmas supper host of the six poor travellers.

I went back to my inn to give the necessary directions for the turkey and roast-beef, and during the remainder of the day, could settle to nothing for thinking of the poor travellers. When the wind blew hard against the windows—it was a cold day with dark gusts of sleet alternating with periods of wild brightness, as if the year were dying fitfully—I pictured them advancing towards their resting-place along various cold roads, and felt delighted to think how little they foresaw the supper that awaited them. I painted their portraits in my mind, and indulged in little lightening touches. I made them footsore; I made them weary; I made them carry packs and bundles; I made them stop by finger-posts and milestones, leaning on their bent sticks, and looking wistfully at what was written there; I made them lose their way; and filled their five wits with apprehensions of lying out all night, and being frozen to death. I took up my hat, and went out, climbed to the top of the old castle, and looked over

the windy hills that slope down to the Medway, almost believing that I could descry some of my travellers in the distance. After it fell dark, and the cathedral bell was heard in the invisible steeples—quite a bower of frosty time when I had last seen it—striking five, six, seven, I became so full of my travellers that I could eat no dinner, and felt constrained to watch them still in the red coals of my fire. They were all arrived by this time, I thought, had got their tickets, and were gone in. Then my pleasure was dashed by the reflection that probably some travellers had come too late and were shut out.

After the cathedral bell had struck eight, I could smell a delicious savour of turkey and roast-beef, rising to the window of my adjoining bedroom, which looked down into the inn-yard just where the lights of the kitchen reddened a massive fragment of the castle wall. It was high time to make the wassail now; therefore I had up the materials (which, together with their proportions and combinations, I must decline to impart, as the only secret of my own, I was ever known to keep), and made a glorious jorum. Not in a bowl; for a bowl anywhere but on a shelf is a low superstition, fraught with cooling and slopping; but in a brown earthenware pitcher, tenderly suffocated, when full, with a coarse cloth. It being now upon the stroke of nine, I set out for Watts's Charity, carrying my brown beauty in my arms. I would trust Ben, the waiter, with untold gold; but there are strings in the human heart which must never be sounded by another, and drinks that I make myself are those strings in mine.

The travellers were all assembled, the cloth was laid, and Ben had brought a great billet of wood, and had laid it artfully on the top of the fire, so that a touch or two of the poker after supper should make a roaring blaze. Having deposited my brown beauty in a red nook of the hearth, inside the fender, where she soon began to sing like an ethereal cricket, diffusing at the same time odours as of ripe vineyards, spice forests, and orange groves—I say, having stationed my beauty in a place of security and improvement, I introduced myself to my guests by shaking hands all round, and giving them a hearty welcome.

I found the party to be thus composed. Firstly, myself. Secondly, a very decent man indeed, with his right arm in a sling, who had a certain clean, agreeable smell of wood about him, from which I judged him to have something to do with shipbuilding. Thirdly, a little sailor-boy, a mere child, with a profusion of rich dark brown hair, and deep, womanly-looking eyes. Fourthly a shabby-genteel personage in a threadbare black suit, and apparently in very bad circumstances, with a dry, suspicious look; the absent buttons on his waistcoat peeked out with red tape; and a bundle of extraordinarily tattered papers sticking out of an inner breast-pocket. Fifthly, a foreigner by birth, but an Englishman in speech, who carried his pipe in the band of his hat, and lost no time in telling me, in an easy, simple, engaging way, that he was a watchmaker from Geneva, and travelled all about the Continent, mostly on foot, working as a journeyman, and seeing new countries—possibly (I thought) also smuggling a watch or so, now and then. Sixthly, a little widow, who had been very pretty and was still very young, but whose beauty had been wrecked in some great misfortune, and whose manner was remarkably timid, scared, and solitary. Seventhly, and lastly, a traveller of a kind familiar to my boyhood, but now almost obsolete—a book-peddler, who had a quantity of pamphlets and numbers with him, and who presently boasted that he could repeat more verses in an evening than he could sell in a twelvemonth.

All these I have mentioned in the order in which they sat at table. I presided, and the matronly presence faced me. We were not long in taking our places, for the supper had arrived with us, in the following procession—

Myself with the pitcher.
Ben with beer.
Inattentive boy with hot plates.
THE TURKEY.
Female carrying sauces to be on the spot.
THE BEEF.

Man with tray on his head, containing vegetables and sundries.
Volunteer hostler from hotel, grinning.
And rendering no assistance.
As we passed along the High Street, comet-like, we left a long trail of fragrance behind us which caused the public to stop, sniffing in wonder. We had previously left at the corner of the inn-yard a wall-eyed young man connected with the ny department, and well accustomed to the sound of a railway whistle which Ben always

carries in his pocket, whose instructions were, so soon as he should hear the whistle blown, to dash into the kitchen, seize the hot plum-pudding and mince-pies, and speed with them to Watts's Charity, where they would be received (he was further instructed) by the sauce-female, who would be provided with brandy in a blue state of combustion.

All these arrangements were executed in the most exact and punctual manner. I never saw a finer turkey, finer beef, or greater prodigality of sauce and gravy; and my travellers did wonderful justice to everything set before them. It made my heart rejoice to observe how their wind-and-frost-hardened faces softened in the clatter of plates and knives and forks, and mellowed in the fire and supper heat. While their hats and caps and wrappers, hanging up, a few small bundles on the ground in a corner, and in another corner three or four old walking-sticks, worn down at the end to mere fringes, linked this snug interior with the bleak outside in a golden chain.

When supper was done, and my brown beauty had been elevated on the table, there was a general requisition to me to "take the corner"; which suggested to me comfortably enough how much my friends here made of a fire—for when had I ever thought so highly of the corner, since the days when I connected with Jack Horner? However, as I declined, Ben, whose touch on all convivial instruments is perfect, drew the table apart, and instructing my travellers to open right and left on either side of me, and form round the fire, closed up the centre with myself and my chair, and preserved the order we had kept at table. He had already, in a tranquil manner, boxed the ears of the inattentive boys until they had been by imperceptible degrees boxed out of the room; and he now rapidly skinned the sauce-female into the High Street, disappeared, and softly closed the door.

This was the time for bringing the poker to bear on the billet of wood. I tapped it three times, like an enchanted talisman, and a brilliant host of merry-makers burst out of it, and sported off by the chimney—rushing up the middle in a fiery country-dance, and never coming down again. Meanwhile, by their sparkling light, which threw our lamp into the shade, I filled the glasses, and gave my travellers Christmas—Christmas Eve, my friends, when the angels too, in their way, heard the angels sing. "On earth, peace: Good-will towards men!"

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42ND STREET

Musical Comedy At Queen's

This is the picture of music and songs. Do you know that our old favourite Warner Baxter is acting in it as well as Babe Daniels and 12 other stars. Picture a chorus of 250 beautiful girls doing a dance on a revolving table. The scene in one part is taken from above and the effect of lights, formation, and execution is marvellous.

It is not often that we are allowed a peep behind the scenes of Hollywood but here we actually watch a picture being produced. Here is a chance to see the inner workings behind those closed doors, and realize just what it does mean to produce a show, the hard work, the wearing practices the petty rivalries, and the sublime chances.

And then there are those song hits that will ring in your head for days afterwards. "Shuffle off to Buffalo", "The 42nd Street", "Young and Healthy", and "You are becoming a habit with me."

If Warner Bros. wanted to achieve success he has certainly realized it to the full in this production.

10-DAY AT THE CINEMA

HONG KONG

King's
"Perfect Understanding."
Queen's
"The Mystery of the Wax Museum."
Central
"That Night in London."
Oriental
"Red Dust"

KOWLOON

Star
"Men Without Law."
Majestic
"The Warrior's Husband."

Coming

King's
"The Midshipmaid."
Queen's
"Charlie Chan's Greatest Case."
Central
"Nine O'Clock Revue."

Queen's
"42nd Street."

Central
"Another Language."

Star
"Love Redeemed."

World
"Woman of Passion."
"My Wife's Family."
"Reunion in Vienna."

Oriental
"Smiling Through."
"West of Broadway."
"Men Without Law."

Majestic
"The Warrior's Husband."

King's
"Rackety Rax!"

"THAT NIGHT IN LONDON"

Excellent Dancing Film At Central

A feature of "That Night in London" now showing at the Central Theatre is the excellence of its dancing numbers. Miss Pearl Argyle, who is playing lead, takes the part of a cabaret dancer and dances several numbers in the film.

Supporting Miss Argyle is a special troupe from Max Rivers' school of dancing, and Max Rivers himself composed the dances for the pictures. On the floor of West End Club. Cabaret numbers are performed and at least a hundred crowd artists take part in the scene.

With Miss Argyle in "That Night in London" are Miles Mander, Robert Donat, Graham Soutton and Roy Emerson. The pictures was directed by Rowland V. Lee.

FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY AT 3.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 P.M.

KING'S

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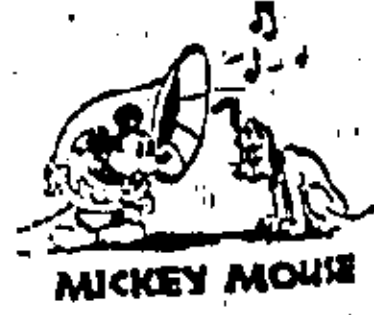
Such was the relationship of these two who wed on a contract—each to do as each desired! Did it work?

SEE

GLORIA SWANSON
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"PERFECT UNDERSTANDING"

At The King's Theatre

"Perfect Understanding" Gloria Swanson's latest picture is a British film is a glittering comedy-drama of modern marriage and is very entertaining. In this film Miss Swanson's rendering of the various song hits is most delightful. The story concerns an American girl who falls in love with the son of an English peer, but the two are afraid of marriage because of the obvious unhappiness of several of their friends who have tried it and made utter failures of their lives. They do marry, however, and their romance is somewhat marred by the pitfalls, but a perfect understanding is reached in the end and they both find happiness. It is rather an amusing story, but you will enjoy it nevertheless as it is something so unusual in the line of film entertainment.

This is now playing at the King's

"MIDSHIPMAID"

Coming To The King's

Here is some more interesting information we have learned about that rollicking story "The Midshipmaid" featuring Jessie Matthews which is due for presentation at the King's Theatre on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, with the added attraction of the combined Bands of H.M. Ships "Suffolk" and "Berwick".

Albert de Courville, the director, told an interviewer that at first they tried to use an old battleship. A firm of shipbreakers said they had four-up on the Clyde, they thought. They would make sure. There was much trunk telephoning, and then the firm said they were sorry—the battleships had been broken up! The studio battleship was then built. It was 138 feet long, 68 feet wide, and 35 feet high. Every detail was accurate, even down to the rope ends, which were properly finished by some expert riggers found on the studio staff. From photographs, imagination and the exact technical knowledge of Captain Ralph Wilkinson, R.N., as naval adviser, the quarter-deck looks the real thing. The turrets and guns are perfectly reproduced, though reduced to twelve inches to save space. Accommodation ladders, hatchways, after-cabin, fire-mains, bollards, fairleads, towing pendant, awning, berthing rails—indeed every detail of the quarter-deck—has been perfectly reproduced by 130 carpenters, who used 100,000 feet of wood. Seventy thousand wooden rivets were used for the various sets, which include ward-room, ante-room, gun-room, spare cabin, Commander's cabin and several alleyways.

Jessie Matthews, the Midshipmaid, has already been given a standard on which to work. Her young brother who is at a Preparatory School for Granwell, the R.A.F. College, wrote and told her that his prestige has been increased in the school since "Good Companions" was shown. His bosom friend informed young Matthews that "honestly he preferred her to King Kong"! So now she knows what is expected to her.

FROM TO-MORROW—A COMEDY, MUSICAL AND HAPPY.

JESSIE MATTHEWS



"THE MIDSHIPMAID"

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MODERN SCIENCE

Exhibition at C.B.A.

Yesterday an exhibition of art, cookery, and needlework took place at the Central British School where varied and interesting work done by the pupils was on view.

One corner especially seemed to puff out an unusual attraction for the visitors. Here a table was laid with a most appetising meal all ready prepared. It was just asking for people to sit and partake of the spread but as it was nearly noon there would have been too many willing volunteers. So the public had to be content to feast its eyes on delicious kidney pie, ham and egg loaf etc. and feel their mouths watering.

On another table was a spread of tasty cakes, delicious pies, all sorts of jams to delight any housewife's heart, and many other culinary efforts. However though the visitors were not allowed actually to taste various tempting things, they were given an opportunity of buying them at 2.30 in the afternoon. Practically everything pertaining to the kitchen was already reserved for various customers in the morning for the afternoon. The success of this department is due to Mr. Cooper, who was also in charge of the needle-work department.

Distinctly good results were shown in the art line as various views, scenes, Christmas cards, designs, etc., testified.

Hall could have heard the many compliments expressed by some of the visitors she would have justly felt flattered.

"THREE GOOD TUNES"

"42nd Street" For The Queen's

Three Good tunes and a kick in the pants for your wow black-out. Can you make a hit show of it?

These are the first sentences in Bradford Ropes' novel "42nd Street," and they colour the length of Warner Bros. new gigantic picture of the same name which opens to-morrow at the Queen's.

In the picture, the words are addressed to Warner Baxter, who plays the role of a veteran stage director with a hundred hits to his credit. What he does to the three good tunes and the kick in the pants form the basis for "42nd Street."

But not quite all of it. Warner Bros. have gathered together in this tale of the Rialto's backstage in a gripping dramatic story of the theatre of to-day, of the problems, heart-aches and tears, the good times, light-hearted camaraderie and care-free days, when there's money in the pocket, forty weeks more of work ahead, and nothing to worry about, all of which make up stage existence.

Chorus girls to the number of about one hundred and fifty—stars, directors, singers, song writers, hoofers, crooners, heavies, juveniles and ingenues—they're all there. And Warner Baxter, Bebe Daniels, George Brent, Una Merkel, Ruby Keeler (Mrs. Al Jolson), Guy Kibbee, Ned Sparks and Ginger Rogers.

Song hits by Al Dubin and Harry Warren, who, between them, have been responsible in the past for such popular knock-outs as "You're My Everything," "To Many Tears," "Carolina Moon" and "I Found A Million Dollar Baby in a Five and Ten Cent store" and dozens of others. Dances and stage ensembles created and staged by Busby Berkeley, who has staged them for the best of Broadway's producers, including Earl Carroll.

But, as with any picture worth its salt, "42nd Street" does not depend on any one thing or player. It has a story that takes its place among the best stories of the stage. More than that, it has a story within a play. Deftly and expertly, it mingles these elements into a spectacular and vastly entertaining whole—a picture that takes rank with the best of this or any year.

Among the novelties in "42nd Street" is a huge turn-table, which is really composed of three turn-tables, on which groups of dancers prance and turn in intricate and breath-taking routines. Another original sequence is a dance involving a Pullman train's inside. The train is a climax, folds in upon the dancers.

Warner Bros. were the first to try musical pictures on a lavish scale, and enough was learned from them to assure the producers that there was a public demand for dramatic pictures with the music and dances. The result of some three years preparatory work on this theme has resulted in "42nd Street," perhaps the first picture to incorporate music and dance into the story in a dramatic manner.

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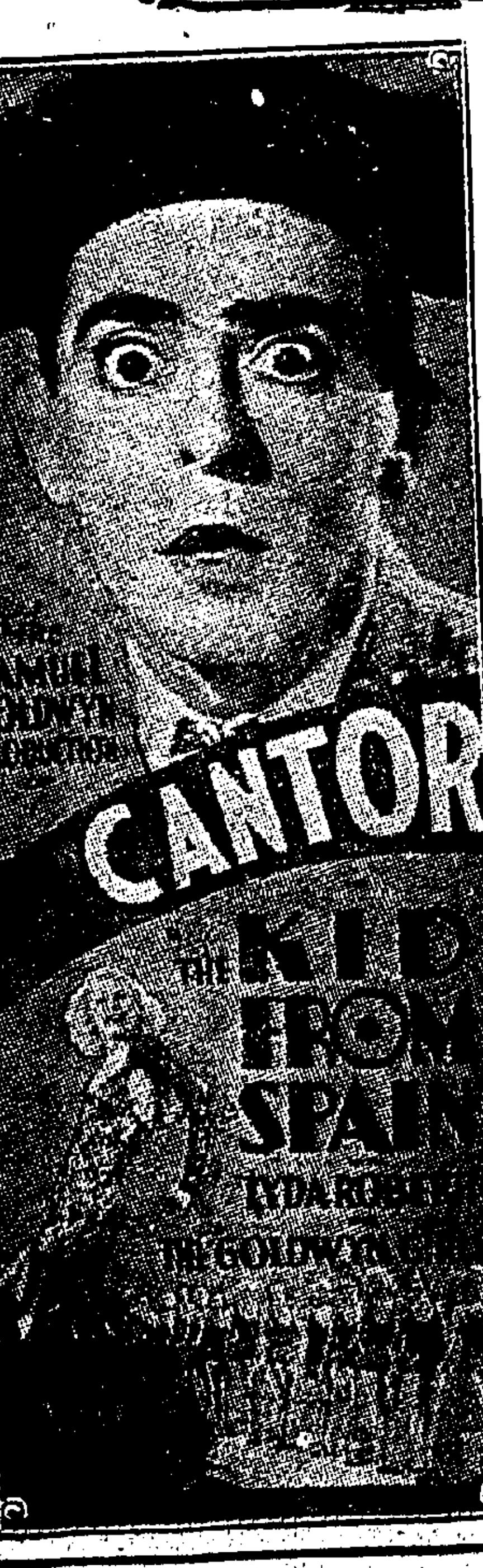
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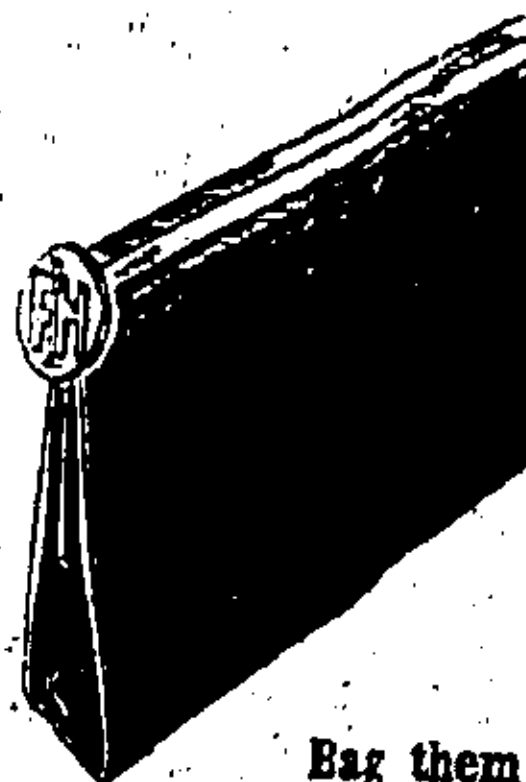
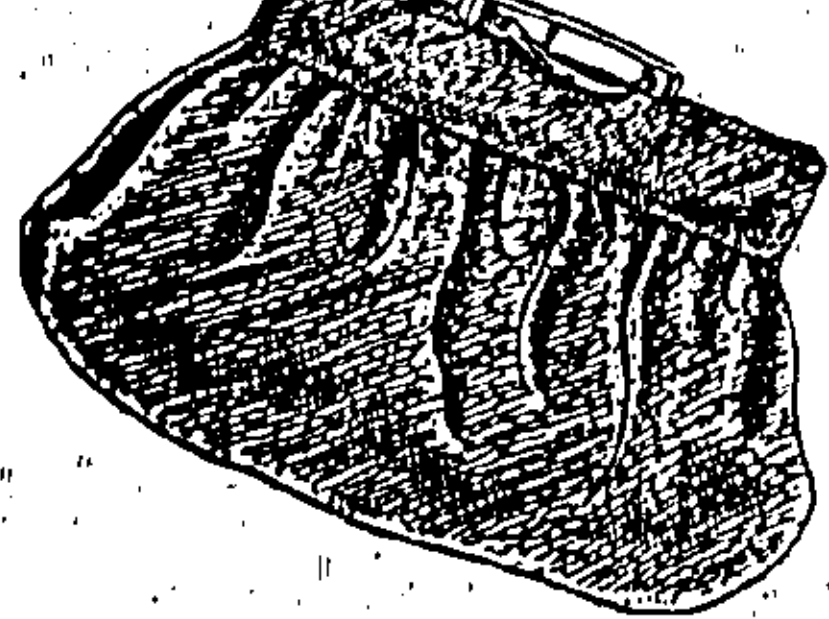
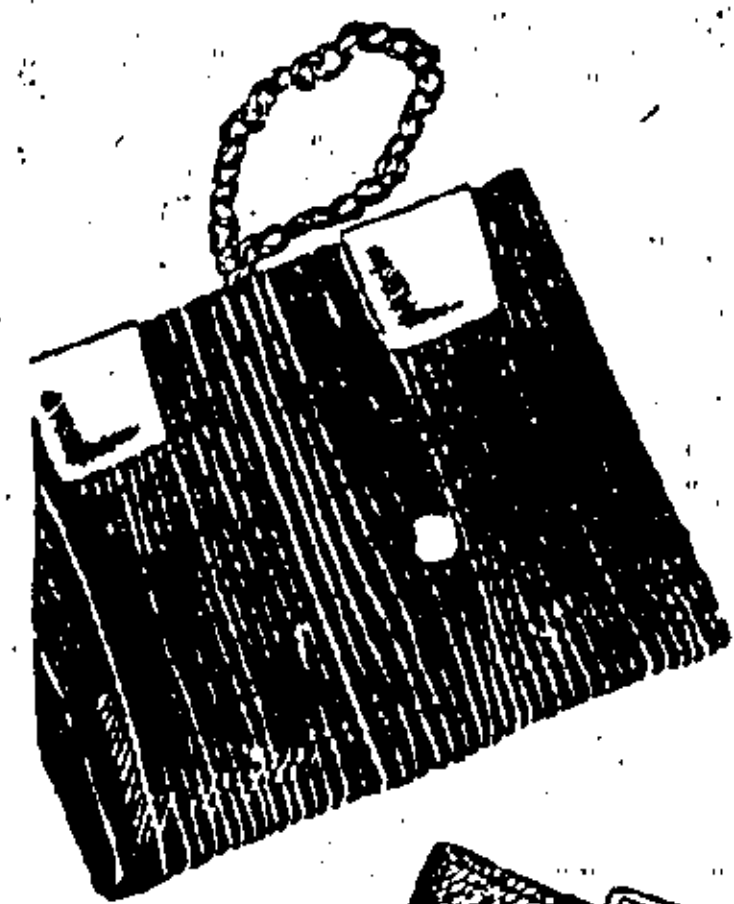
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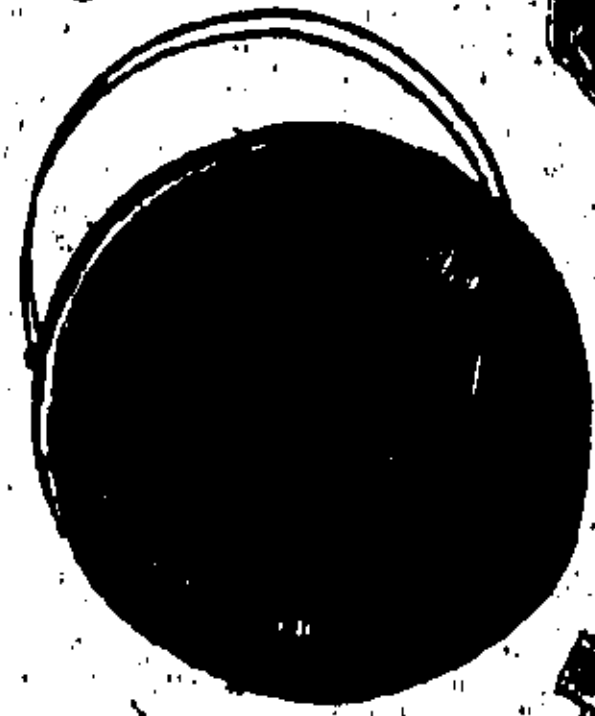
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Around the Courts

**LEAVE THE LADY
FRIEND OUT!**

When Mr. L. Blumenthal appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday on a summons for speeding along Namkung Road on November 20, last, Traffic Sergeant Britain told the Court that when he stopped the car, defendant began shouting and denied that he had been speeding. He only calmed down when the officer threatened to take him to the Police Station.

Defendant:—Your Worship, I had a lady friend sitting beside me at the time and she will tell you I did not shout.

His Worship:—Is she here?

Defendant:—No.

His Worship:—Then she cannot tell me.

Later on, defendant again denied that he had been travelling at 30 or 40 miles an hour.

His Worship: The sergeant here says you were and he judged your speed by the speedometer on his cycle, which is guaranteed to be correct by the makers. If you doubt the correctness of his speedometer, you can have it tested and pay the cost of testing.

Defendant:—No, your Worship, I could not have been going at that speed because my lady friend does not like me to go beyond 25 miles an hour.

His Worship: Will you leave your lady friend out of this? I am not interested in her.

Defendant:—Yes, your Worship. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

Several motor drivers were summoned before Mr. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, for dangerous driving and speeding offences.

Li Ping Piu, the driver of private car No. 3835, was fined \$5 for dangerous driving in Shaokwan Road. Traffic Sergeant Howell said defendant drove at 30 miles an hour and overtook a stationary tramcar at the Tai Koo Dock East gate, nearly knocking down a man.

Summoned for having disobeyed a traffic signal at the junction of Stubbs Road and Morrison Hill Road, Ng Ka-kin, the driver of a private car, was fined \$3. Traffic Sergeant Clarke said he was driving along Queen's Road from west to east, and had the signal to turn up Stubbs Road. Just as he was turning, the defendant, coming from the opposite direction passed the light.

**NO PILLION-RIDING,
PLEASE!**

When dealing with traffic summonses at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. Wynne-Jones drew attention to the following amendment to Vehicles and Traffic Regulations:—"The driver of a bicycle shall not carry any other person on his bicycle in the City of Victoria, Kowloon and New Kowloon."

His Worship said that although the amendment was published in the "Government Gazette" on November 17, very little attention had yet been paid to it. For this reason, he requested the Press to draw the attention of the public to the matter.

WARRANT ISSUED

Sequel To Maintenance Case

Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday issued a warrant for the arrest of Ho Shun Wan, for neglect in not providing maintenance for his wife, Tong Wai Ying.

The case came before Mr. Schofield some time ago and an order for payment of \$150 a month was awarded to the complainant.

Mr. H. L. Denny's appeared for the complainant.

Complainant, giving evidence, said her husband had not paid her at all. He got his income from four houses in Breedy Terrace and he could sometimes be found in No. 8, Breedy Terrace.

Mr. Hamilton said the only difficulty throughout the case, was that the defendant had no appeared. He said he proposed to issue a warrant for his arrest.

MAN KILLED IN FIGHT

**Incident Reported From
Kowloon City**

A fracas between three shop coolies at Kowloon City yesterday in the course of which bamboo poles were used, resulted in the death of one man.

The other two men were taken into custody by the Police.

The three men were believed to have quarrelled over the work entailed in the carrying of certain cloth. The deceased was a Hoklo native while the other two were Cantonese.

**ENG. REAR-ADML.
E. W. ROBERTS**

**The Navy And Rugby
Football**

Engineer Rear-Admiral E. W. Roberts, a member of the Selection Committee of the Rugby Union and a former Devon and England player, died suddenly early yesterday at Manchester, where he had gone to attend Saturday night's meeting to select the teams for the first Rugby International trial match of the season.

The committee sat for several hours on Saturday night without concluding their task, and Admiral Roberts went to bed apparently in his usual good health. It had been arranged to finish the selection of the teams yesterday morning, but he was found dead in bed, having passed away in his sleep.

Engineer Rear-Admiral Ernest William Roberts, O.B.E., served throughout the War with the Grand Fleet destroyers, and was decorated. He was squadron engineer officer in the Second Battle Squadron, Atlantic Fleet. In September, 1931, he was appointed Engineer Rear-Admiral in charge of engineering personnel duties in the office of the Second Sea Lord. He had had previous service with the Admiralty and was the original secretary of the R.N. and R.M. Sports Control Board. He had been connected with Dartmouth and other training colleges. Perhaps he will best be remembered in the Navy for his work in connection with physical training, in the inauguration and organization of which he was intimately connected.

As a Rugby footballer about the period 1900-1908, Roberts deservedly won renown as a forward of the best Service and Devon type, a tough scrumrunner, yet quick in the breakaway, a good dribbler, and, in the open field, fast and clear headed enough once to sell a dummy to no less a person than that fearless tackler Marsburg, the South African. He had the distinction of playing for England against the original All Blacks at the Crystal Palace in 1908, and no doubt would have played more often for his country but for the claims of the Service. As it was, he played in 1901 and 1908 against Wales and Ireland and in 1907 against Scotland. Later on, he served as representative of the Royal Navy on the Rugby Union Committee and his advice became

**PETROLEUM
POLICY**

**Foreign Concerns and
Licence System**

The Department of Commerce and Industry will introduce two bills—one relating to the control of petroleum imports and the other in regard to the adoption of a permit system for the establishment or extension of refineries—before the next session of the Diet.

Efforts are being made by the Commerce Department, assisted by other Departments, to establish a national policy for liquid fuel. Not long ago it framed a five year plan embracing the exploitation of the new resources in Japan, the expansion of the resources in Northern Saghalien (Kita Karafuto) and the development of substitute industries including liquid coal. It has already obtained the approval of the Finance Department in regard to the expenditure that will be required for the execution of the scheme.

Simultaneously with the above scheme, the Commerce Department authorities are anxious to exercise thorough control of the petroleum business, hence the present plan to institute the necessary legislation. The salient feature of the Government plan is the control of the petroleum import business. All import houses will be ordered to submit reports to the Government. They will also be called on to keep a certain quantity in stock at all times.

It is generally believed that the present Government plan will greatly facilitate the suggested merger of such Japanese concerns as the Nippon Petroleum, the Osaka Petroleum and the Asahi Petroleum. The attitude of the two foreign suppliers, the Rising Sun and the Socony-Vacuum, is naturally claiming keen attention. It is surmised in Japanese quarters that, as it is more advantageous for them to face the new situation with a combined force, the two concerns will come to some working arrangement between themselves.

invaluable as a member of the Selection Committee. This part of his sporting career also was interrupted by service at sea. As a sportsman generally Roberts knew how to be grim and yet good tempered, deadly keen, and yet scrupulously fair.

**H.K. VOLUNTEER
DEFENCE CORPS.**

(Orders by Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, H.K.V.D.C.)

1.—Parade.

(a.)—The Battery:—
1.—There will be a parade for Staff and Signals at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, at Headquarters.

2.—There will be a parade at 5.30 p.m. for laying and gun drill at Headquarters on Thursday, December 21.

Dress:—Overalls and blue caps.

(b.)—Engineer Company:—
Sunday, December 17th. Peak Range at 9 a.m. Range optional. Monday, December 18. Miniature Range.

(c.)—Corps Signals:—
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17.

(d.)—Machine Gun Troops:—
Parade on Tuesday, December 19, at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for M.G. instruction.

(e.)—Armoured Car Section:—
There will be no parade until further notice.

(f.)—Machine Gun Company:—
Friday, December 15, 1933.—The Company will parade at Headquarters at 5.30 in Murl. There will be a lecture on the Camp Training Programme and the points brought out. It is desirable that all members of the Company should attend.

Company Training for the remainder of the season will also be discussed.

(g.)—Scottish Company:—
There will be no further regular weekly parades until Thursday, 4th January, 1934.

(h.)—Portuguese Company:—
1.—Classification Tests.—Stonecutters Range.

Musketry and Lewis Gun Tests will be fired on Sunday, December 17. Range Officer: 2nd/Lieut. F. P. Sequeira. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.40 a.m. Categories "A" and "B" will fire Lewis Gun, Classification Tests and Categories "C" and "D" Musketry Tests. Platoon Commanders will please see that recruits who have not yet completed their Musketry training are warned not to turn up on this occasion.

2.—There will be no further weekly parades during December. All ranks are urged to turn up in full force on re-opening of training on January 2, 1934.

(i.)—Anzac Company:—

1.—The Company will parade at full strength on Monday, December 18, at 5.30 p.m. when points arising from last camp will be discussed. Those members of the Company who took part in the construction of emplacements are asked to submit their criticisms and any other point of interest to the O.C. before the parade.

2.—All ranks are reminded to return their rifles to store as soon as possible.

As this will be the last parade before the New Year all ranks are requested to attend.

(k.)—A.A.L.A. Company:—
There will be no parade on Monday, December 18, 1933.

(l.)—The Officer Commanding the M.M.G. Section will issue his Orders to his command separately.

2.—Amendment

Reference Corps Orders No. 48-33, sub-order No. 8.

Delete reference to Sergeant L. Goldman and insert—"No. 1462 Sergeant L. Goldman is permitted to resign as from December 4, 1933."

3.—Rifles and Bayonets.

All rifles, bayonets and revolvers must be returned to Store before the Christmas Holidays.

4.—Return from Leave.

Lieut. G. Miskin, A.S.C., as from December 1, 1933.

Lieut. F. Bunje, A.S.C., as from December 1, 1933.

No. 1787 Sgt. T. G. Stokes, A.S.C., as from December 1, 1933.

5.—Leave.

No. 1524 Spr. J. M. Purvis, Engineer Co., granted two months' leave, from December 18, 1933, to February 15, 1934.

No. 1943 Spr. D. G. Wilson, Engineer Co., granted three weeks' leave, from December 13, 1933, to January 4, 1934.

No. 1687 Pte. A. Jackson, No. 2 Platoon, granted nine months' leave, from December 1, 1933, to August 31, 1934.

6.—Struck Off the Strength.

Having completed three years' service:—

No. 1626 Pte. E. F. Butters, No. 4 Platoon, as from December 15, 1933.

No. 219 Corpl. W. Greig, No. 6 Platoon, as from November 15, 1933.

Transferred to another port:—

No. 2029 Pte. C. von Winterfeldt, A.S.C., as from December 12, 1933.

No. 1507 L/Cpl. R. A. Fawcett, M.G. Troop, as from December 15, 1933.

T. B. W. WILKINSON, Captain.

Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

Hong Kong, December 15, 1933.

Notice.

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By "The Scout"

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG

Sometime ago, writing in this column, I stated that Sir Robert Ho Tung had successfully undergone an operation in London. Since then, I am told, Sir Robert has been for a holiday in Switzerland, and recently underwent a second operation on the advice of his doctors. I am glad to be able to state that he is now making very favourable progress and the news received in Hong Kong during the past fortnight has been very encouraging. Now that Sir Robert's health is definitely on the upgrade, we may look forward to his early return to the Colony, where his many friends will no doubt be happy to meet him again.

REAL SERVICE

From very modest beginnings, a very well furnished library now stands in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. A couple of years ago, one of the Directors suggested that something should be done about equipping the Y.M.C.A. with a library. The officers of the Association each donated \$10 towards this cause and a drive for further funds as well as for old volumes, was vigorously carried out. From the very beginning the library proved popular and both the English and the Chinese books were well patronised, with the result that the demand for more and more books grew daily. It met with generous response from all quarters and donations as well as books were given in aid of the good cause. To-day many boys, who would otherwise be confined to their school books, have the opportunity of wider reading, both in English and Chinese. Thus from small beginnings a useful library has been established for one section of the community. Here is an example of true service indeed.

SHANGHAI BANKERS' VIEWS

In conversation with a banker from Shanghai the other day, I was told that the Chinese Bankers' Association of that city is of great service to their members. Whenever there is a "run" on any of the banks, the association examines the books of the bank concerned and if satisfied with its stability, solidly stands behind it and thus the "run" is easily met, and rapidly dies out. I do not know if any such arrangements can be practical in Hong Kong? If it is, and there are no such arrangements already, would it not be advisable to consider introducing it? A bank financially sound can easily stand a run, but if it has the backing of the rest of the banks, there can be no run at all, or to be absolutely precise, any run on such a bank would be of small duration.

FOUND PLAYERS WORTH \$35,000

Mr. Jack Tinn, of Portsmouth, has an eye permanently cocked on the North-East nursery, and watched the Pegwood United-Stakeford Albion Northumberland Senior Cup replay. Do you know that Jack Tinn discovered and transferred players to the value of \$35,000 in his old South Shields days? Fact. He found full-backs alone realising \$15,000.

LESSON FROM WALES
Mr. W. C. Cuff, chairman of Everton, summed up the success of Wales in the International match with England, at New-castle, as being due to "positional play". I agree.

The way those small forwards took up position, and that India-rubber ball of a Murphy, at right half-back, danced attendance behind them, was a lesson for all.

Make your own opening when the other fellows have the ball! It is one of the most neglected precepts of modern play.

It's a fast age; men won't stop to think.

FUNERAL

Mr. Charles J. Watson

The funeral of the late Mr. Charles Joseph Watson took place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery in presence of a large attendance of mourners. The Rev. Father Jacquinot, S. J., of the Church of the Sacred Heart officiated. The chief mourners were Mrs. Watson, Mrs. D. Lewis (sister) Mr. E. H. Lewis (nephew) and Mr. E. Wilson

OUR "DRY" CABARETS

The reference by Professor Middleton Smith to the cabarets in Shanghai in the course of his very entertaining address to the Rotary Club was interesting to those who have been to similar establishments in Hong Kong. There is no gainsaying the fact that the Hong Kong cabarets, compared with Shanghai are very well conducted indeed. For one thing the professional partners do not sit at the tables of their patrons and then again, there is no opportunity to buy the girls any champagne, however much a patron may wish to do so. The number of cabarets in Hong Kong seems to be growing again; this in spite of the fact that the mid-night curfew has recently been introduced. It seems that the only serious rival to the cinema for night life in Hong Kong is going to be increasingly popular.

CHANGES IN COUNCIL

At Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council several official members made a welcome re-appearance. Sir Thomas Southern returned and took his place in the Council as Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Commander G. F. Hoie, R.N. (Retired) Harbour Master also took his seat there and The Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Director of Public Works was also present. In their absence on home leave their places had been filled respectively by Mr. D. W. Tratman, Commander Newhill and Mr. A. G. W. Tickle, all of whom deserve the thanks of the community for the work they had done during their term of office as members of the Council. Mr. Tratman introduced his first budget during the year and it may be a happy augury that that budget proved to be one of the least contentious in recent years.

CITY NOISES

Sometime ago writing in this column, I wrote about the noises in the city caused by many reasons, and it would appear that nothing has been done to abate the nuisance. We are so accustomed to noise in Hong Kong that we do not appear to realise how noisy our city is. In fact, to anyone who, care to find out, a few minutes observation at the Post Office corner will reveal just how noisy the place is. There is the incessant tooting of motor car horns and the noise of the buses and trams and this added to the shouting by rickshaw coolies makes a din that can only be equalled by the noise made by motor cars as they accelerate to climb Garden Road. Surely something can be done about all this noise, as well as about the use of loud speakers by Chinese shops as a medium for attracting attention?

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(brother-in-law). The casket was carried to the graveside by Messrs. A. H. Oliver, W. Hutchinson, F. Hutchinson, A. G. Siemssen, A. J. Willis, V. Vazirnovich and E. M. Souza.

"MEDICINE" AND "LAW"

Vocational Talks In The Y.M.C.A.

The series of vocational talks at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. was continued last night when Mr. Peter Sin, the well-known local solicitor gave an interesting address on "Law."

Avoiding technical terms as far as possible, Mr. Sin gave his audience a very clear picture of the legal profession and the work which they did in the community. He said that it was not difficult to understand the law or to study for the Bar, and that it was a fallacy to think that one had to be unusually astute before he could become a lawyer. What was needed was good education and good character.

Mr. Sin, in the course of his address, pointed out the ignorance of the average man of matters pertaining to the law. That ignorance, however, tended as much for peace and security, as it did towards making men think at times, that they were justified in doing things that were wrong in law.

"MEDICINE"

Dr. Tseung Fat In gave a very informative talk on Thursday last on Medicine As A Vocation. He said it was a delusion to think that the medical profession was an easy profession. "Doctors," he stated "must be ready at all time of day and night to answer the calls of the sick. Their time is never their own."

He proceeded by pointing out to people contemplating to take up medicine as a profession, that besides considering the health and orderliness factors in an individual, the financial and time aspects involved in the preparation of a doctor should also be duly considered.

He ended by stating that China had too few Western trained doctors and there was a tendency of trained men to linger in the large cities and coastal ports to practice.

PROTEST TO U.S. CONSULATE

Chinese Will Suspend Transportation

Nanking, Dec. 8.—In compliance with the request of the Ministry of Railways, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is reported to have notified the American Consulate at Tientsin to stop the operation of a commercial motor service on the Suiyuan-Sinkiang Highway by the Hua Mei Automobile Company, which is an American concern.

According to a report received by the Ministry of Railways from the Suiyuan-Sinkiang Omnibus Company, five motorcars of the American Company, with only a passport from the American Consulate, have been operating on the Suiyuan-Sinkiang Highway. Subsequent investigations by the Ministry also confirmed the report. As the American service would not only compete with the authorized Chinese service but would affect national defence and frontier administration, the American company is required to suspend its operation.—Kuo Min.

MINING TAX

Negotiations Instigated

Nanking, Dec. 7.—It is understood that negotiations have been in progress between representatives of the Kailan Mining Administration and the Ministry of Industry in regard to the long-standing question of payment of the mining tax. It is stated that payment by the Kailan Mining Administration has been in default for over twenty years.

As a result of the conversations, it is further understood, the Kailan Administration has agreed to pay the prescribed mining tax beginning from next year. No agreement has, however, been reached as to whether the Kailan Administration is to pay the tax arrears which have accumulated to a very considerable amount.—Kuo Min.

THE CHUNG SING BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

Dinner Dance At Hotel Cecil

The Chung Sing Benevolent Society are holding a Dinner Dance at the Cecil Hotel tonight the 18th instant at 8 p.m. Proceeds will entirely go to charity.

By kind permission of the Captain and Officers of the H.M.S. "Kent," their Band will play at this function. Tickets may be obtained at Cecil Hotel. Admission \$5.00.

A JOB WELL DONE

Sir Miles Lampson Entertained At Lunch HONGKONG AND FUTURE OF CHINA

Sir Miles Lampson, who has just relinquished the appointment of British Minister to China and is passing through the Colony on his way to Egypt where he will take up the appointment of High Commissioner of Egypt and the Sudan, was entertained to tiffin yesterday at the Hong Kong Hotel by the Committees of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and China Association (Hong Kong Branch). Mr. Herbert Phillips, British Consul-General at Canton, was also a guest of the Committees.

The Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackie presided and the other hosts present were Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, Vice-Chairman, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, the Hon. Mr. Paul Lauder, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. A. Brearley, Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. A. L. Shields, Mr. M. St. J. Walsh, Mr. P. S. Cassidy and Mr. G. C. Pelham (H.M. Trade Commissioner for Hong Kong and Commercial Secretary for South China).

HALL-MARK OF A SKILLED DIPLOMAT

After the toast "The King" was duly honoured, the chairman addressed the gathering in the following terms:—

Considering the short time at his disposal, we feel greatly honoured that Sir Miles Lampson has accepted our invitation to lunch. We have asked him here to-day in order that we may express our appreciation of the good work he has done as British Minister to China, and also to congratulate him on his new appointment as High Commissioner of Egypt and the Sudan.

The last time we, as a Committee, had the pleasure of meeting Sir Miles was during his visit to South China in September 1923, when relations between Great Britain and China were somewhat strained. We were pleased to have the opportunity on that occasion of acquainting Sir Miles with the views of the mercantile community of Hongkong on the position as it then existed. It is on record that we were in agreement with, and were prepared to support, the British policy enunciated by Sir Austin Chamberlain. Situated as we are in a British Colony, we are not brought into such close contact with the Minister as our sister Chamber in Shanghai, but we have always endeavoured through that agency to keep in touch, as much as possible, with what is taking place in the North and, when given the opportunity to express our opinion on all matters affecting the interests of British trade in China.

A SKILLED DIPLOMAT
Sir Miles has been largely instrumental in re-establishing the cordial relations which now exist between our country and China, and there is abundant evidence that he has gained the confidence and esteem of the Chinese officials. In addition to the many expressions of good will which have accompanied his departure, the Central Government have, in recognition of his services to China, conferred on him the Order of the Brilliant Jade: he is the first foreigner, I believe, to receive this decoration. We congratulate him on the honour (Applause).

The years during which he has been in charge of British interests in China have bristled with difficulties and the knowledge that he has been able to do so much to help the country to which he was accredited, without laying himself open to any suggestion that he has been in the least neglectful of the interests of his own country must be a matter of great satisfaction to him. To be able to do this, I take it, is the hall-mark of a skilled diplomat. (Applause).

Sir Miles completes this year thirty years in the Diplomatic Service and with his wide experience and high reputation he will certainly be able to deal successfully with the special problems that await him in Egypt.

The Chairman concluded by proposing the health of Sir Miles Lampson and the toast was cordially honoured.

SIR MILES LAMPSON
Sir Miles Lampson was given a good reception when he rose to reply. He said:—
I should like to thank you very much for the signal compliment you have paid me in asking me to be your guest on my way home. This is literally my last appearance as British Minister in China. In fact, I am not quite sure if I still am the British Minister in China. (Laughter). It is a matter of great personal satisfaction to me that at the end of my stewardship you should still



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The Meeting has been delayed this year on account of the preparation of a comprehensive History of the Liberation of the Mut-Tai in Hong Kong. Three thousand copies have been printed to be distributed free. The Public is invited to attend.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

FIFTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.

16th DECEMBER, 1933.

THE Stewards have decided that at the above Race Meeting the "Tardy Stake" shall be run as Race No. 2, at 2.30 p.m., and the "Harrier Reef Handicap" as Race No. 4, at 3.30 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,

Secretary

Hong Kong, 11th December, 1933.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIFTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitted) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 16th DECEMBER, 1933, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Ball will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE. Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (Both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Obitis, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building (Tel. 27794), will close at 12 o'clock noon. Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting. Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered from the No. 1 Boy in advance. Telephone 21220.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE. The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00, including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tax Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Enclosure of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th Dec., 1933. [2090]

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THE GREAT LIBERATOR

An astonishing quickening of what might be called the moral sense of the British Parliament and people manifested itself strongly a century ago. The Bill admitting Roman Catholics to Parliament and to all but a few of the highest civil and military posts was passed in 1829. Three years later the Parliamentary Reform Bill, widely extending the franchise, was passed. In 1833 measures were passed for the amelioration of the conditions of factory workers. In 1834 the growing evil of pauperism was checked by the enactment of a Poor Law Bill. The same year a system of national education was inaugurated and rapidly developed. Other reforms and progressive measures were also introduced about that time, but the one great achievement which stands out more brightly than all the rest was the abolition of the system of slavery which still persisted in the British colonies.

Great moral force was needed to accomplish this wonderful reform at that time. England was engaged in a life and death struggle with Napoleon which commanded all her attention, and to raise the slave question at such a time against so powerful an adversary seemed an undertaking doomed to failure. Fortunately, in William Wilberforce, the centenary of whose death was celebrated in England on the 29th of July, the time and the task found a man capable of coping with the supporters of slavery. But it also reflects greatly to the credit of the British nation that in times of serious trouble it found time and thought to concern itself with the rights of the negro, and to use its financial resources—the abolition of slavery cost England £20

million pounds, an enormous sum in those days—and her sea power under Nelson, against the traffic in human flesh. To their credit also be it said that most of the other European Governments soon followed the British example in this, as in so many other fields of reform.

William Wilberforce was born at Hull in 1759, and entered St. John's College, Cambridge, in 1776. At the age of 21 he entered Parliament as representative for his native town, and, whereas previously he had been inclined to idleness, he now began a life of the greatest activity. He became converted to Evangelical Christianity, and three years later began his agitation against slavery. In that band of British enthusiasts which called themselves the "Committee for the Abolition of Slavery" he took his natural position as leader. They won the sympathy of both the political party leaders of their time, Pitt and Fox, and in so far their cause became a non-party question, but it nevertheless took Wilberforce's whole lifetime and all his energies to complete the task he had set himself—to prohibit the trade in slaves and to free all slaves within the British Empire.

With glowing eloquence Wilberforce exposed the evils and horrors of slavery in Parliament, and soon he was rewarded by seeing small measures passed for the improvement in the conditions of the slaves. In 1772, during some legal disputes regarding slavery, it was decided that slavery could not be tolerated on English soil, and a legal finding stated that "as soon as a slave set his foot on the soil of the British Islands he became free." In 1789, in co-operation with Pitt, he brought the subject of the abolition of slavery before the House of Commons, but friends of the slave-owners got it deferred. In the following year he succeeded in carrying a motion for gradual abolition, but the House of Lords obstructed its passing into law, and not until 1807 was the first great step accomplished, with the prohibition of slave trading in the British Empire.

It took nearly 30 years more for Wilberforce to gain the final victory in his life's work. Gradual measures were passed in Parliament forbidding British

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS.
10, 1933, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Nufer-Zueblin, a daughter, Ruth Margrit.

MATILAND.—On December 8, 1933, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai to Cecile, wife of Hugh Matiland, a son.

DEATHS.
ROWLANDS.—On December 7, 1933, R. P. Rowlands, O.B.E., F.R.C.S., etc., Senior Surgeon, Guys Hospital.

WALTER.—On December 9, 1933, at the Shanghai General Hospital, Harold William Albert Walter, aged 45 years.

CANTON NOTES

Efforts to Restore to Face Value

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, Dec. 15. Owing to the financial crisis and the depreciation of paper money value which has a strong effect upon the local business market, the leading merchants here are now attempting to co-operate with the government to restore the full face value of the banknotes issued by the Kwangtung Provincial Bank as well as the local Municipal Bank.

The leading merchants are contemplating to submit several proposals to the Department of Finance for consideration. Before submitting these proposals to the authorities the plan will be studied by the banking experts and will be tendered to the Department of Finance through the Chamber of Commerce. It is learned that the merchants urge the Government to use every effort to redeem the full face value of the banknotes within the shortest possible moment.

They request that as soon as the value of the notes rise to \$99.50 all payments and transactions should be based on basis. From now on paper money should be the chief medium for all transactions in the market. The premium for the exchange of paper money for silver must not exceed two dollars per thousand, and anyone who refuses to accept banknotes or violate the above rules should be severely punished by the authorities.

FOR SERVICES RENDERED

London, December 15. The Australian Commonwealth Government is making gift of £1,000 to Charles Ulm for services rendered to aviation. Ulm with two companions holds the England to Australia flight record of six days, seventeen hours and 56 minutes.—British Wireless.

CHINESE TONGS IN BATTLE

Three Hurt in Street Fight

Montreal, December 15. Conflict for the control of Chinese gambling restaurants led to rival Chinese Tongks staging a pitched battle in the local Chinatown yesterday.

Three men were seriously injured while sixteen were arrested.—Reuter.

vessels to engage in the slave trade, for any nation whatsoever, to deal drastically with ship-owners and ship-captains who continued to carry slaves and run the risk of paying heavy fines if caught, etc., and in 1811 the contraband trade in slaves was finally stamped out. The point which to Wilberforce seemed most important remained to free all slaves from bondage. It was obvious that the slave-owners did not intend to set the slaves free of their own accord, so Wilberforce continued to use his "silver tongue" and his personal charm and wit in the great cause, now with the support of the majority of the British public, until at the age of 66 years he retired from public life. It fell to Buxton, one of his devoted helpers, to lead in the final round of the battle for the slaves, but Wilberforce knew before his death that victory was assured. The Emancipation Bill was passed with very little opposition in 1833, one month after Wilberforce was laid to rest with the greatest honour in Westminster Abbey.

CANTON LOAN TO NANKING

Return Now Requested

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, Dec. 15. In avoiding financial impediment for the realisation of his Three Year Plan General Chen Chi Tang, commander-in-chief of the First Group Army, sent a petition to Nanking yesterday asking the Central authorities to return a loan of 190 million dollars which had been borrowed from Kwangtung for the previous Northern Punitive Expedition.

Despite the fact that the National Government had been set up in Nanking some eight years ago this sum had not been returned to this province. General Chen realises that in order to carry out the Three Year Plan in Kwangtung an immense amount will be needed to meet the various expenditures in reconstruction and rehabilitation in the bandit stricken areas.

It is stated that a large portion of this amount will be expended for the salvation of the peasants and the fostering of native industries. Moreover, a considerable amount of the returned fund will be used for the anti-bandit drive in Kiangsi.

TO CUT EXPENSES
Kwangtung is experiencing extreme financial stringency and the funds derived from the various revenues cannot meet with the various administrative expenditures in the province. With a view to curtail the excessive expenditure in Kwangtung, Mr. Lin Yun Koy, the chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, summoned a financial conference to-day at the Provincial Government Building. Officials from the various administrative, military and Party organs attended at the meeting, and Mr. Lin, who presided, submitted a provincial budget for 1934 and proposed to cut down the general expenditures in the various government organs.

One case of diphtheria, two cases of paratyphoid and three cases of meningitis were reported in the Colony for the 24 hours ended December 14.

Mr. W. B. Cornaby, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., has been transferred to Foochow where he will be relieving Mr. J. Helling who is retiring.

WOMAN JUMPS INTO HARBOUR

Excitement on "Star" Ferry

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Passengers on the 9.25 p.m. ferry from Hongkong last night had an exciting experience when a Chinese woman jumped overboard as the vessel was approaching the pier at Kowloon.

The ferry was immediately stopped and eventually, after a brief search the woman was sighted as she "bobbed" out of the water.

A deck-hand and the stoker immediately jumped into the water and held on to the sinking woman while life bouys were flung overboard to them.

The woman was unconscious when hauled on board the ferry, but thanks to the excellent work of Mr. H. M. Britto and a few sailors, she was revived and later conveyed to the Water Police Station, where, after her name and address were taken, she was removed to the Kowloon Hospital for attention.

CONVERSION OF ARSENAL

Conversion Into Iron And Steel Works

Nanking, December 10. Plans for conversion of the former Lunghua Arsenal in Shanghai into an Iron and Steel Works are being made by the Ministry of War, it is learnt.

With the outbreak of the sino-Japanese hostilities last year, a large portion of the machinery of the Arsenal was removed from Shanghai to the Nanking and HanYang Arsenals; the Arsenal and its remaining equipment being placed in charge of a Custody Committee. Later, the Ministry of War contemplated sale of the land occupied by the Arsenal, the proceeds of which were to be earmarked for the expansion of the Nanking and HanYang Arsenals.

The scheme was, however, opposed by the Greater Shanghai Chamber of Commerce, which claimed that the proceeds of any sale should first be used for the repayment of a loan for \$800,000 advanced by the Chamber in 1925 for the repatriation of retreating soldiers during the war between Generals Chi Hsieh-yuan and Lu Yung-shang, then Tuchun of Kiangsu and Chekiang respectively. The property of the Arsenal was given as security for the loan.

In compliance with the petition of the Greater Shanghai Chamber of Commerce, the Ministry of Finance was instructed to devise measures with the various organs concerned for the settlement of the loan obligations. Such measures are being discussed between deputies of the Finance Ministry and the Arsenal and Commissariat Administrations of the Ministry of War.

To promote the development of domestic industries, it is now learnt that the Ministry of War is contemplating the erection of a large Iron and Steel Works on the site of the Arsenal.—Kuo Min.

NEWS SUMMARY

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"Your views and mine" by The Scout on Page 7.

"Dramas on the Ferry" is the title of the article by our special Kowloon Correspondent.

"Round the Courts" being an assimilation of law cases and other items in connection with law in Hongkong on Page 6.

Information in regard to the Rigger appears on Page 10.

Notes on to-day's football matches will be found on page 10.

Sir Miles Lampson was entertained at luncheon yesterday.

Vocational talks on "Law" and "Medicine" were given recently at the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

Home football news, by our special Air Mail Service will be found on page 10.

Our Engineering and Building Supplement appears on Page 2.

EIGHT PIRATES KILLED

Severe Encounter On Yangtze River

Eight pirates were shot dead, 9 members of the crew of a Shantung junk were believed to have been drowned, and five marines of the Chunho gunboat wounded in a battle which lasted several hours along the Kiangsu coast outside the Yangtze on Saturday afternoon.

The gunboat Chunho, under the command of the Fourth District Kiangsu River Police at Woosung, left Woosung for the coast on Friday night following the receipt of information that a Shantung junk had been held up by pirates for ransom.

The Chunho found the junk at noon the following day. Her arrival on the scene was greeted with a fusillade which was answered by the marines. After fully one hour's encounter, the pirates set sail, firing as the junk headed for the shore. They were, however, hotly pursued.

Many Thrown Overboard
During the battle, several men on the junk jumped overboard to escape from the pirates and many who could not swim were thrown overboard. Here the gunboat halted and attended to the rescue work. Of the 16 boatmen seven were picked up by the gunboat, and the remaining nine are believed to have been drowned.

The pirates abandoned the junk near the shore, leaving eight of their dead comrades on board.

According to one of the boatmen, the junk arrived in Shanghai from Tientsin, northern Kiangsu, about four weeks ago with a cargo of oil and beans and left here with a quantity of timber and paper ten days ago. As soon as she sailed out of the Yangtze she encountered another junk, carrying about thirty pirates.

Not satisfied with what they had gathered on board, the pirates held the junk and sent one of the boatmen to Shanghai to obtain a ransom of \$3,000 for the return of the vessel. The boatman, who failed to get the sum, gave information to river police, whose prompt action resulted in the recovery of the junk.

Of the five marines wounded in the battle, one was reported to be in a serious condition last night.

GALE IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

Sunshine and Frost in London

London, December 14. The disabled steamer which was seen to sink off Aldburgh, Suffolk, during yesterday's gale was to-day identified, by the wreckage, as the coasting s.s. "Culmore" (469 tons) of London.

She is known to have been carrying a crew of nine all of whom were drowned.

The gale, an icy-cold north-easter, abated during the night but increased later, and heavy seas were again running to-day in the North Sea and English Channel.

Cross-Channel services were again curtailed and the boats ran from Folkestone and not from Dover, where it was dangerous to attempt to move in and out of the harbour.

In London, the weather was several degrees colder to-day and although the sun shone from a cloudless sky, the temperature remained below freezing point.

Skating is proceeding and many of the smaller rivers are frozen over. The unusual absence of rain has been a contributory factor, having reduced the water in streams, several of which are covered for the first time for many years.—British Wireless.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Soviet Consulate in Tientsin is to establish a lumber yard there to sell Soviet timber to China.

A deaf mute villager of Taipo was killed by being run over by a goods train near No. 23 Bridge between Shatin and Taipo on Thursday.

The prizes will be distributed at the Cheung Chau Government School at 3 p.m. next Thursday, December 21, by Mrs. P. E. Barker, M.A.

The Philharmonic Society are Short of Policemen for the "Pirata of Penance" and would be grateful if those having bass voices, who would care to join in the production will please communicate with the Secretary of Y. M. C. A.

A meeting will be held at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday, January 10, next, at 5.30 p.m., when Mr. Peter Macneche, Principal of the International People's College of Denmark, will speak on the Folk High Schools of Denmark and on the College.

Peking was greatly interested in the news concerning the appointment of a new Apostolic Delegate Monsignor Mario Zanin, and the rumour from the Vatican City that the former Delegate Monsignor was among those to be elevated to the purple at the next Papal Consistory. Monsignor Zanin is expected to arrive in Peking some time next spring, writes our Peking correspondent.

The sixth annual dance of the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club will be held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Friday, January 12, 1934, at 9 p.m.

Leung Chat, a Chinese boatman, age 40 years, of cargo junk No. 3500 V, appeared before Commander Hole at the Marine Court yesterday, on a charge of failing to carry a white light while lying in the Junk Anchorage.

As the State Lottery tickets have become quite popular in China and owing to the huge expenses involved in the establishment of an agency in the United States, the authorities are not to send any representative to America to promote the sale there.

A Water Police Sergeant in prosecuting told His Worship that while he was on duty in the Water Police Launch on Thursday night, he saw no white light in the defendant's junk, which at that time was lying in the Junk Anchorage. He went on board the junk and had defendant arrested.

Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$10.

Preparations were pushed on by the Yokosuka Naval Dockyard for the laying down of the keel of the first-class cruiser Suruya (8,900 tons). The ceremony is to take place to-day. The authorities concerned expect to complete her construction by 1935. The warship's equipment will be equal to that of a 10,000-class cruiser.

AN ALL-NIGHT SESSION

Women Who Looked Like "Washed Out Rags"

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

London, December 15. The House of Commons experienced the unusual occurrence of having the agenda for Friday's sitting automatically eliminated because 11 o'clock found a yawning House still discussing the second item on Thursday's agenda, having sat all night in dealing with the committee stage of the Newfoundland Bill which occupied seventeen hours.

The Labourites, with Mr. J. Maxton as ringleader, obstreperously opposed the Financial Provisions Bill on the grounds that it was an unwarranted demand upon British taxpayers.

There was a good muster of women members all night long, most of them being wrapped in fur coats. One Labourite moved an adjournment on the grounds that the women looked like "washed out rags." This met with protests from the women members.

Additional time was expended on speeches on the subject of sitting up all the night long, but the Government were adamant, and at 8.30 a.m. after Mr. Ramsay MacDonald had arrived, clad in tweeds, the House finally passed the Committee stage unopposed and settled down to discuss the financial resolution of the new Unemployment Bill.—Reuter.

\$7,500,000 WAR DEBT TOKEN

Paid by Britain to America

London, December 15. In accordance with the terms of a note from the British Ambassador at Washington, Sir Ronald Lindsay, to Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, dated November 6 last, the payment of \$7,500,000 in United States currency in respect of the British War Debt will be made in Washington to-day.

This payment, as in the case of that of June 15 last, is made pending a final settlement.—British Wireless Service.

LONDON BUS DRIVERS

Wages Increased: Longer Holidays

London, December 14. Forty thousand London drivers and conductors have received an increase in their weekly wages and have been promised a bonus and longer annual holidays with pay, in fulfilment of the undertaking by the London Passenger Transport Board that the men should share in the financial benefits of the recent speed-up in traffic.

Further increases are promised when trade is restored to normal conditions.—British Wireless.

BRITISH AIR TRAFFIC

Enormous Development Since 1931

London, December 15. Great Britain is still a long way from being the leading exporter of aeroplanes engines and material, states the 1933 edition of Jane's Authoritative Annual.

An enormous development in British air traffic is shown in the fact that British commercial machines flew 2,090,000 miles and carried 56,883 passengers as compared with 2,090,000 miles and 25,211 passengers in 1931.—Reuter.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS

London, Dec. 15. It is stated in Government circles that unemployment in Britain has reached the lowest figure since 1930.

It is confidently expected that the number will fall below the two million mark in the early Spring.—Reuter.

"ON THE RUN" AGAIN

Athens, Dec. 15. Samuel Inoul will shortly be again "on the run" in consequence of the Government de-

NEW MINISTER ENTERTAINED

By China Association In China

London, December 14. "I have never yet committed myself to residence anywhere without a personal inspection," declared the Hon. Mr. A.G.M. Cadogan, the new British Minister to China, replying to a toast at the China Association banquet last night, at which Sir George Macdougall, a member of the London Committee of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, stressed the importance of the Minister residing at Nanking.

The Chinese Ambassador to London, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, assured Mr. Cadogan that a very warm welcome was awaiting him. He said that Nanking was committed to a policy of national unity through an internal policy of reconstruction. Quiet but steady progress was being made in all directions.

"In this programme, it was China's great hope that British trade and co-operation would play an increasingly important role."—Reuter.

DISARMAMENT PROBLEM

Sir E. Phipps to confer with Sir J. Simon

London, December 15. The British Ambassador in Berlin, Sir Eric Phipps, who returned to London on a short visit in request of the Government for consultation on the disarmament question, and who had a long talk with Sir John Simon yesterday evening will be present at to-day's meeting of the Cabinet Committee on disarmament. Sir Eric has recently had several conversations with Herr Hitler.

The Secretary General of the League, Monsieur Avenol, visited Mr. Baldwin this morning. He is lunching with the Italian Ambassador, Sig. Grandi, and will later have a further conversation with the President of the Disarmament Conference Mr. J. H. Henderson.

A leading article in the "Times", to-day, remarks that the immediate purpose of the present diplomatic activity in various capitals and almost the sole purpose of Great Britain is to bring about a basis of negotiation between France and Germany to which the "Times" thinks a fresh pact of non-aggression might conceivably be a useful prelude.

It continues: Cynics may argue that pacts of non-aggression could secure European peace, it is already secured a hundredfold since many nations of "Europe" have actually signed before such major instruments as the convention of the League, the Kellogg Pact and the Treaty of Locarno. But the answer is that in the first place war has not started again anywhere in Europe with which treaties may have had something to do and in the second place Herr Hitler, who volitionally has broken with the past, a solemn pledge by this leader, who is known to be man of his word, that he would not go to war with France could, in fact, hardly fail to pave the way between the two great countries whose present disagreement absolutely prevents a conclusion of a general disarmament convention.

After an analysis of the causes of the mutual Franco-German want of confidence, and in particular France's anxiety regarding the apparent determination of the German Government to impart rudimentary military training to every citizen, the "Times" argues that the real cause of apprehension for Germany's neighbours must not be the existence of this voluntary and unarmed militia, since conscription is general on the continent but is co-existent with it of a highly trained long service professional army and the absence of any form of organized international control. It adds, "both these points were met in the draft convention. Herr Hitler's government had agreed to transform professional Reichwehr into a short service army and Germany had agreed with other delegations at the disarmament conference to an automatic investigation by an international commission. Both these extremely valuable points are in suspense so long as the draft convention remains operative. The moral is to get back to the draft convention."

"The Times" emphasises that a collection peace system with equal rights, and international supervision, offers the only hope of agreement and the only alternative to the dangers of unrestricted competition.—British Wireless.

London, December 15. Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador in Berlin, at the request of his Government has come to London for consultation and discussion on the Disarmament question.

He arrived yesterday afternoon and proceeded to the Foreign Office, where he had a long conversation with Sir John Simon, the Foreign Secretary.

It will be recalled that Lord Tervill, the British Ambassador in Paris, a few days ago made a short visit to London for a similar purpose.—British Wireless Service.

It is not to renew the police residence permit after January 1.—Reuter.

QUO TAI CHI INTERVIEWED

London, December 15. Mr. Quo Tai Chi when interviewed by Reuter commented on the excellent feeling between the British and the Chinese as evinced by the China Association dinner.

"He said the unhappy disorders from 1925 to 1927 are plainly forgotten and all prospects are favourable for a fruitful co-operation between the two countries."

Mr. W. W. Yen and Dr. Wellington Koo and staying with Mr. Quo Tai Chi for about a fortnight to confer on diplomatic questions.—Reuter.

SPEED BOATS AS TARGETS

"Hide and Seek" In The North Sea

London, Dec. 15. How unlikable highspeed boats have been darting about the North Sea in the role of targets for the Fleet's bombing planes, is revealed for the first time in this morning's "Daily Telegraph."

The naval air bombers are reputed to be acquiring astounding skill in chasing the forty-foot, target-boats, travelling at thirty miles an hour and manoeuvring swiftly.

Each of these boats carries an adventurous crew of three. They wear ear-defenders, crash helmets and gas-masks and little else.

Direct Hits. They crouch below the crash-proof cover of their little boats and while bombs are being dropped upon them from a height of fifteen hundred feet.

Direct hits of these craft have proved the efficacy of the overhead covering, but there have been awkward moments when the missiles have hit unprotected wooden parts of the boat and have gone clean through, causing the crew to find themselves ankle deep in water in double-quick time. In all cases, they have managed to plug the hole and return to port for repairs.

Aircraftman Shaw. The experiment, which is hailed as a great success, has been proceeding secretly for over a year.

The first crews were initiated into the game by Aircraftman Shaw (Lawrence of Arabia).

Until now, the only mobile marine target used by the navy for practice has been the slow-steaming obsolete warship, H.M.S. Centurion.—Reuter.

LONDON STOCK MARKETS

Tone Quiet But Steady

London, December 15. Sterling on New York 5.14, on Paris 85-5/16. Gold increased 6d. to 128/7 a premium of 5d.

The Stock Markets were quiet, but the tone steady. War Loan 3 1/2 per cent., 100½.—British Wireless.

GEORGE LANSBURY BETTER

London, December 15. The leader of the Opposition, Mr. George Lansbury, who recently fell and broke his thigh, had fair night and is comfortable this morning.—British Wireless.

U.S. GOLD PLAN TO CONTINUE

Roosevelt Confers With Advisers

Washington, December 15. The United States gold purchases are to be continued indefinitely and stabilisation is not in prospect. These were the principal decisions reached after President Roosevelt had been in conference for a couple of hours with his financial lieutenants.

"Everything looks lovely. We are going on as at present," declared Mr. Henry Morgenthau, the acting-Secretary of the Treasury.

Others who were present stated that the silver question was not considered and that the President was going ahead with his present methods to raise prices.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation's gold purchases to date total 440,000 ounces for which U.S. \$14,885,000 has been paid.—Reuter.

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Special Correspondent)

London, December 15. Following are the Silver Quotations on the London market to-day:—

	Dec. 15	Dec. 14
Spot	181 1/16	181 1/16
Forward	182	181 1/16

The London on New York cross rate to-day closed at £=U.S. \$154.

PAYMENT ON ACCOUNT

London, December 15. The American State Department has announced that approximately \$8,900,000—£1,730,000—are being paid to-day by the various countries on a total debt of \$153,024,000—£30,600,000. Of this amount the British Government paid \$7,500,000—£1,500,000. Other countries making payment are Italy \$1,000,000—£200,000; Czechoslovakia \$150,000—£30,000; Finland \$299,823—£59,964; Latvia a full payment of \$850—£170; Belgium, Estonia and Poland stated that they are unable to pay. No communications have been received by the State Department from France, Hungary and Lithuania.

U.S. BASEBALL PLAYERS TO TOUR WORLD

New York, December 15. Chicago Major League Baseball Club-owners have voted to adopt a standardized liverball for the 1934 series.

It was also voted on the motion of Mr. J. D. Shibe, owner of the Philadelphia Athletics, to take an all-star team, from the American League only, on a world tour at the end of the 1934 season.—Reuter.

RUBBER RESTRICTION

Batavia, December 15. An unofficial committee under the chairmanship of the President of the General Agricultural Syndicate is at present collecting all information required for the introduction of rubber restriction in the Dutch East Indies. The object is to submit a draft quota scheme which can be accepted by all rubber growers, to the Dutch East Indian Government as soon as it has taken a decision on rubber restriction.—Reuter.

TRANS-SIBERIAN TRAIN WRECKED BY ARMY OF BANDITS

Foreigner Among The Seven Passengers Killed

Tokyo, December 15. Seven people, including one foreigner, were killed, while eight were wounded and a number kidnapped, when bandits wrecked the trans-Siberian international train from Europe, near Tatsihar, shortly after midnight.

After the derailing of the express, which was accomplished by removing rails from the permanent way, the body of bandits, 300 strong, attacked the train. The passengers were systematically looted before the marauders decamped with their prisoners.

Two Japanese soldiers, part of the guard detachment on the train, are among the dead.

Bandits subjected the wrecked coaches to a terrific fire from rifles and machine-guns before swooping down and committing outrages on the luckless victims.

On receipt of the news, an armoured train from Anganchi hastened to the scene. A relief train from Harbin was also rushed to the spot, arriving at 6 a.m.—Reuter.

REBELS-KIANGSI ALLIANCE

Evidence At Last To Hand

Foochow, Dec. 15. Evidence of the much denied alliance between the Rebels and Kiangsi Reds was provided when two Red delegates opened admitted their identity to Reuter.

Discontent is brewing in the 19th Route Army a soldier of which asked a member of Reuter's Chinese staff to join a band of 100 men who, he said, intend to desert and become bandits. The men, beyond receiving a dollar each to celebrate the inauguration of the new regime, have not been paid for several months.

The blockade by Nanking is having a serious effect on trade which has been brought to a standstill. The price of rice is rising and only one month's supply remains. A rice famine is threatened when this stock runs out, and 1,000 Communists have established themselves at Yenping which hitherto has not been looted, and are paying for their supplies.

Meanwhile, preparations to protect Foochow from any possible attack are proceeding. Trenches are being dug in the hills above the Pagoda Anchorage while forts and sandbag emplacements are being constructed to guard the city from attack.

The 78th Division moved out from Foochow towards the Chekiang border, along a highway parallel to the coast. They are replacing the Fukienese troops whose sympathies might be turned to the North of Foochow for Nanking.—Reuter.

FUKIEN GOVERNMENT MOVED TO FUCHEN

Shanghai, December 15. According to the Chinese press, the National Government of Fukien from Foochow to Fuchen, in North Fukien, where all loyal officials of the old Foochow regime will be given their former jobs.—Reuter.

BYRD'S VISIT TO THE POLE

Progress To Be Broadcast

There have been Arctic explorers and Antarctic explorers down the centuries, but Polar exploration has now gone modern, for when the U.S. Jacob Ruppert, flagship of the Antarctic expedition, reaches the Antarctic ice barrier, it will have on board a 1,000 watt broadcasting station, licensed by the Federal Radio Commission to use 15 frequencies for voice and 51 for code.

Byrd will be transferred to the steamship Bear which will be in the Arctic wastes to Byrd's base in the ice wastes. There will be set up to handle the regular weekly programmes in which Admiral Byrd and the members of the expedition will report on the progress of their expedition.

The Columbia Broadcasting System, which hopes to present weekly series of broadcasts keeping tabs on the trip, will supply two men to accompany the expedition; an engineer and an announcer. One of the country's largest wholesale magazine distributors is supplying the expedition with a special line of current men's magazines, including Radio Log and Lore.

NEW U.S. ENVOY TELLS PLANS

Berlin, Dec. 10.—Mr. William C. Bullitt, the first United States Ambassador to Moscow, who arrived yesterday in Berlin on his way to the U.S.S.R. granted an interview to the press representatives here.

He said that due to a strange coincidence he would be given in Moscow, on Monday, the same quarters which he occupied with his mother in 1914. He also said that he was compelled to leave his post at the Department of State in 1919, because he was already then a partisan of the Soviet recognition by the United States.

The Ambassador further confirmed the statements issued by him to the press in Paris as regards his immediate intentions. He added that Mr. Plöck of the United States Berlin Embassy will accompany him to Moscow, where, together with six other officials of the Department of Commerce they will proceed to the organization of consular service in Soviet Russia, where a total number of 200 American Government men will be employed.—Reuter.

THE ANGLO-INDIAN TEST COMMENCES

Douglas Jardine Loses The Toss

INDIA LOSE NINE WICKETS FOR 212

Bright Cricket

Bright batting featured the play after the luncheon interval when both Amarnath and Naidu were in happy mood, the former sending Verity to the leg-boundary while his captain cut and glided Nichols for fours and then hit Verity to the on-boundary for a sixer—the first of the match. They sent the 100 up after play had been in progress 142 minutes, but like all good things, the partnership came to an end all too soon when Naidu was out by the l.b.w. route, Clark being the successful bowler. He had made 28 runs, and during his stay at the wicket he hit four boundaries and a sixer—a very bright innings. The score then stood at 117 for 3.

Jal joined Amarnath and at 135 the latter mistimed a pull, and was given out for obstruction against Langridge. He made 58, scored five boundaries and had been at the wicket for 110 minutes.

Merchant was next man in and with only 13 runs added to the total, he saw his partner out to a marvellous catch by Mitchell who ran in from slips and took the ball almost off Jal's bat—148-5-19. Colah joined Merchant and these two were still in when a stop was made for tea with the total at 172, Merchant being 20 not out while Colah had six to his credit. Both Clark and Mitchell sustained injuries to their hands in stopping hot drives.

Close Of Play. Nichols and Verity started the bowling when play was resumed, and with only three runs added to the total, India lost another wicket when Merchant, in attempting a leg-glance, was given out 23 l.b.w. to Nichols. He made 23 and the breach was filled by Amar Singh, the fast bowler, who was out for a "duck," being stumped by Elliott when he jumped out in attempting a big hit off Langridge.

Nissar joined Colah who had by this time got his eye in again and was playing steady cricket. The newcomer indulged in some futile swiping and was eventually taken by Mitchell at cover off Verity when he had scored 13. Ramji came and went—for one run, being bowled by Verity and at this stage stumps were drawn, the total being 212 for 9. Colah was not out for 28 while 13 came from extras.

The scores were:—

India, 1st Innings

Nave, c Nichols, b Verity 13

Wazir Ali, l.b.w., b Nichols 36

Amarnath, l.b.w., b Langridge 28

Naidu, l.b.w., b Clark 19

Jal, c Mitchell, b Langridge 28

Merchant, l.b.w., b Nichols 23

Colah, not out 28

Amar Singh, st. Elliott Lan- 0

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Nissar, c Mitchell, b Verity 13

Ramji, b Verity 13

Extras 13

Total for 9 wks. 212

The England team is:—Jardine, Walters, Valentine, Langridge, Townsend, Barnett, Mitchell, Nichols, Verity, Clark and Elliott.

Bombay, Dec. 15. The first official Anglo-Indian Test match on Indian soil took place here to-day when 30,000 people saw Capt. C. K. Naidu, the All-India skipper beat Douglas Jardine, England's leader, in the 1st Test. The wicket was in perfect condition, and in sunny weather, Nave the Indian wicket-keeper and Wazir Ali, both of whom were members of the Indian team that toured England last year, opened the innings for the home team. The earlier minutes of the game saw these batsmen bringing off several streaky scoring strokes, and both had lucky escapes against Nichols and Clark.

Things looked rather bright for India when the forty was signalled with both batsmen still in, but at 44, Nave was caught in the slips by Nichols off Verity when he had 13 to his credit.

Amarnath joined Wazir Ali and these two brought the score to 71 when Ali got his leg in front of a straight one from Nichols and was given marching orders. He had batted for 110 minutes to get his 38 runs which included three boundaries.

Naidu was next in and together with Amarnath he brought the score to 79 when a stop was made for lunch. Amarnath was 19 not out while his captain, also undefeated, had five and Mr. Extras 6.

AUSTRALIAN TEST TEAM

Sailing For England In March

London, December 15. It is now definitely settled that Australia will send a test match cricket team to England next year. A telegram received from the Australian Board of Control says the team will sail on March 9.—British Wireless Service.

"ALL'S WELL"

London, December 15. The end of the bodyline controversy which came with Australia's last cable was greeted with great satisfaction in England and Australia though the rebel section of the Board of Control are still not satisfied.

Mr. Kelly, manager of the last Australia team to visit England said the happiness of Australia's tour depends entirely on the M.C.C. and the captain they will appoint while Arthur Gilligan 28 says that the man who brought about the Australian reply was the High Commissioner, the Rt. Hon. S. M. Bruce who "cables his wishes to the Board of Control. Larwood 13 says he is glad "the Aussies are coming and I shall be delighted to bowl against them again, if I get the opportunity."—Reuter.

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HOME FOOTBALL AROUND THE GROUNDS HULME'S WELCOME RETURN TO ARSENAL ATTACK

Tottenham Without Meads at Leeds:
Fulham v. West Ham

London, November. 22.
The most interesting event in the world of football to-day is, I suggest, the return of Joseph Hulme to the Arsenal team after an absence of three months.
Hulme was injured in the last minute of the first match of the season, Cartilage trouble developed, and for weeks it was touch and go whether an operation would have to be performed. Now he is sound again, and if he has lost none of the brilliant speed that made him the most feared outside-right in the country Stoke City, to-day's visitors to Highbury, are in for an ordeal.
The reappearance of Hulme means an enormous lot to Arsenal. Yet I have been astonished at the successful way in which, match after match, they have covered up the right-wing weakness. Hulme's partner is to be Coleman, who will need to improve a great deal on his form against the Wolves last Saturday if the best is to be brought out of the flying winger.
It is, of course, a match Arsenal should win easily for Stoke, after a promising start to the season, have fallen off badly; their last five games have brought them only two points. Palethorpe has been restored to the leadership of the attack, and on his immediate left will be a player of Chinese extraction—by name, Soo.
COPPING V. O'CALLAGHAN AGAIN

With the coast apparently clear for Arsenal, can be 'Spurs preserve their two points lead by winning at Leeds? Unless the recent form of Leeds United—three consecutive defeats—is only a passing depression they certainly will do so.
However, the 'Spurs attack (once again unchanged) will have to be at its brightest to outwit an all-England half-back line as represented by Edwards, Hart, and Copping. I think it will be agreed that the best of the three these days is Copping, who quickly resumes rivalry begun in Wednesday's international at Newcastle, with O'Callaghan.
There is a late change in the 'Spurs half-back line. Meads last night developed a temperature, and Alford will take his place.
STRENGTH OF HUDDERSFIELD
Whatever the results may be at Leeds and Highbury, supporters of the 'Spurs and Arsenal will be very anxious to know what has happened at Maine-road, where Manchester City oppose Huddersfield. The City, who are bringing back Tilson to lead the attack—Herd partners Brook on the left wing—have crept into fourth place. Seven points from the last four games tells of consistency.

But I doubt whether they will make more than one point against Mr. Clem Stephenson's fine team. When championship prospects are under discussion, the name of Huddersfield is mentioned in the same breath as 'Spurs and Arsenal. They are, I see, top scorers in the First Division.

CHELSEA UNCHANGED
At the foot of the table the plight of Chelsea and Sheffield United is, I am afraid, likely to be emphasised by to-day's results. Football is full of surprises still, but Chelsea really do seem to be set an insuperable task at West Bromwich, where the Albion, as I saw them against the 'Spurs a fortnight ago, are a terror to any visiting team.

Chelsea were anything but impressive in last Saturday's match with Derby County. Nevertheless, I admire the courage of the management in giving the same players an opportunity to settle down. It is not individual skill that is lacking so much as team spirit.

Sheffield United are faced with a similarly heavy problem at Middlesbrough, who have won five of their half-dozen home fixtures, but Sheffield's gloom may be lightened by the Wednesday. They revealed distinct signs of revival against Huddersfield a week ago, and at Hillsborough to-day may prove just too good for Portsmouth, who will have Salmond at centre-half in place of the injured Allen.

Liverpool's sequence of three victories will probably end on Derby County's ground. Everton should win at home against the Wolves, who are changing their inside wing forwards. Newcastle will fancy, make much-needed headway against Leicester City, and Sunderland and the Villa may draw on the grounds of Birmingham and Blackburn Rovers respectively.

FULHAM—WEST HAM CLASH
In the Second Division both West Ham United and Brentford are within easy striking distance of the joint leaders, Grimsby and Port Vale, and Brentford will further reduce the margin if they win on Port Vale's ground this afternoon. But that is too much to hope for, as Port Vale have not conceded a point at home.
West Ham are also playing away, but theirs is a short journey across London to the headquarters of the Fulham club. This clash of local rivals will draw one of the best attendances of the season to Craven Cottage. Fulham must improve considerably to hold their own with a team that have lost only one of their last eight matches.

Fulham, on the other hand, have dropped nine points out of ten. They are suffering from a goal famine, and even with Lambert in the side only three goals have been scored in five matches. Millwall have struck an even worse patch than Fulham, their last six fixtures having produced one point. To-day they are at home to Preston North End, and may not end their losing spell.

Two especially attractive games should be forthcoming in Lancashire. Blackpool, entertaining Manchester United, and Burnley meeting Grimsby Town at Gigg Lane.

THIRD DIVISION'S BIG DUEL
There are some intriguing Third Division matches, notably the clash between Norwich City and Charlton Athletic, leaders and runners-up respectively. Here ground advantage should bring Norwich the victory, though the teams are so well balanced that anything may happen.

FINAL SELECTION

HOME

Arsenal
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Nottingham
Norwich
Chester
Stockport
Barnsley
Kilmarnock
Luton
Birmingham
Port Vale

AWAY

Coventry
Motherwell
Rangers

DRAW

Tottenham
Manchester C.
Torquay

Charlton are only in second place by virtue of a superior goal average to that of four other clubs. Of these Queen's Park Rangers and Reading meet at Loftus-road, once again the fact that the Rangers are at home may bring them full points.

Crystal Palace and Bristol Rovers, the two other clubs battling just behind Norwich, have testing away matches. The Palace will be fortunate to escape defeat at Aldershot, while the Bristol club's visit to Luton may be a profitless affair.

In the Third Northern, Chesterfield despite their slip at home against Walsall, should gather more points at York to consolidate their place as pace-makers.

ARSENAL'S PARIS MATCH
Paris, Friday.—It is announced that Arsenal are sending their strongest team over to meet the Racing Club de Paris here on Sunday.

The Racing Club team, which was beaten 4-2 by First Vienna last Sunday, has not yet been definitely chosen, but the goalkeeper will be the Austrian, Rudolf Hiden, in whom the Arsenal were interested at one time. To-morrow a combined Paris team meet the Chile-Peru South American side, who have just arrived from Germany.

FENNER'S 'BAG'
Nottingham yesterday transferred Fenner, their inside right, to Bradford City. Fenner, who is 27, has scored sixty-seven goals during his five years with the County.

Millwall last night secured the transfer of Yardley, the Charlton Athletic inside forward. He will be included in the side to meet Preston North End at New Cross to-day.
Crystal Palace yesterday obtained the transfer of Haynes, the Arsenal reserve centre-half. Haynes will play at Aldershot to-day.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL

Some Notes And
Comments

The Club are all home to the Athletic, and a keen game should be seen. The Club will have Rodgers in goal for the first time this season, while Hill, transferred from Kowloon, will be out in the forward line. The Athletic should be strong enough to secure at least one point.

The Lincolns and Recreio will meet at King's Park. This game was originally transferred to let the Navy meet the Borderers on the Kowloon ground. Owing to the Charity game now being played on Sunday, the Borderers were unable to field a team in mid week and the Navy match was postponed. The R.A. and East Lancs. game has been put forward from Sunday to make way for the big match between the Lincolns and South China.

The Lincolns should beat Recreio by a big margin. South China receive Kowloon at Caroline Hill and a good tussle should be seen. Kowloon will field some of the Argyls and South China will be hard pressed to take both points.

The Police and St. Joseph's meet at Happy Valley and on form St. Joseph's should win. The Police may cause a setback to the College team who at present head the league. The R.A. and East Lancs meet on the Railway ground, and if the Gunners maintain their form of last Sunday they should secure full points.

In division II, The Navy, Borderers and Club should win. In division III, Recreio, Borderers and Lincolns should win.

SUNDAY'S GAME

The chief match of the week-end is that on the Railway ground on Sunday when Wales and Scotland meet in the Charity match. Wales will be represented by the South Wales Borderers' full league team with the exception of Channings, the Police centre half, who is an ex-Borderer. Scotland have got out a good team including three men from the Argyls and a very keen game should be seen. Wales will have the advantage of playing almost a full regimental team, while Scotland will be handicapped through playing men who have not played together before. The winners will meet England in the semi-final on Christmas Day.
The Division I match postponed from October 8th, between the Lincolns and South China, will be played at Sookumpoo. To predict the winner would be out of the question for both teams are now playing below their usual standard. On the present form 'South China, should win.
The Division II match should end in favour of the Lincolns.
For to-day's matches please turn to the Diary of Local Events.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Special Fixtures On
Saturday

Two fixtures have been arranged for Saturday on the Sookumpoo Ground and as all the best players will be on view, there should be a large attendance.

The first match commences at 2.45 p.m. and is composed of two fifteens the basis being the Navy First XV which will be split into two units, the scrum playing on the 'Blue' side and the back division on the 'White' side. The balance of the players have been provided by the Army and Club. As the 'Blue' team will almost inevitably secure the ball from the majority of the tight scrums it will be interesting to observe the tactics of the 'Whites' in defence as it will be the first time this year that the Navy out-sides probably will not be receiving the ball regularly from the forwards.

The sides will be as follows:
Whites.—Lt. P. Buckley (Medway); Lt. St. Clair Ford (Medway); Lt. G. B. Slater (Eagle); Mid. A. T. Darley (Suffolk); Lt. E. N. V. Currey (Medway); Lieut. Miers (Medway); Lieut. J. H. Forbes (Medway); Lt. O'Connor, Cpl. Chicken, Pte. Mackman (Lincolns); Lieut. Ramus (R.A.); W. R. Andrews, R. Stillard, A. H. Harbord, S. H. Garrod (Club).
Blues.—R. P. Edwards; W. E. Peers; J. Hutchinson; E. C. Allan (Club); Lieut. Muspratt-Williams (Lincolns); A. F. Jenkins, R. C. Meeks (Club); Comdr. H. B. Roome (Medway); Lieut. Cook Pascoe (Eagle); Lieut. J. W. Linton (Medway); Lieut. E. G. Nixon (Suffolk); Lieut. N. L. Evans (Suffolk); Lieut. C. O. Supper (Cumberland); Lieut. M. Brown (Cumberland); Lieut. J. W. Whitfield (Galmouth); Lieut. J. W. Whitfield (Galmouth); Lieut. J. W. Whitfield (Galmouth).

FOR WEST AFRICA
O.S.K. Start Shipping Service
Yokohama, Dec. 4.
Inaugurating a direct steamship service from Japan to West Coast of Africa, the Osaka Marine Kaido Line, freighter, Alaka Maru (3,700 tons) left Yokohama with a large consignment of cotton piece goods, beer and tea. Reuter Pacific Service.

FANLING GOLF

R.H.K.G.C. Starting
Times

The following are the starting times on Sunday, December 17—Old Course.

9.30 a.m. Final Club Championship.
9.36 " N. L. Smith and K. S. Morrison.
9.40 " T. R. Chassels and F. Lobel.
9.44 " C. G. Worrall and R. I. Cherrill.
9.48 " H. Hampton and A. McKellar.
9.52 " H. H. Pethick and I. H. Geare.
9.56 " T. A. Pearce and F. D. Hunter.
10.00 " J. F. Robinson and P. S. Grant.
10.04 " J. H. Bottomley and A. W. Hodges.
10.08 " S. A. Sleaf and R. S. Johnson.
10.12 " G. W. Greene and J. W. Mayhew.
10.16 " A. A. Brawn and D. Davis.
10.20 " A. E. Thompson and T. H. A. McCarthy.
10.24 " H. E. Williams and C. G. Marrable.
10.28 " G. A. Leiper and A. Macfadyen.
10.32 " G. F. Rees and E. Williamson.
10.36 " A. Kidd and W. N. A. Smalley.
10.40 " L. M. S. Lloyd and H. S. Forster.
10.44 " F. A. Merry and A. E. Lissaman.
10.48 " W. M. Barton and D. S. Harley.
10.52 " W. N. Buyers and H. C. Hopkins.
10.56 " G. T. May and R. C. Webb.
11.00 " A. G. Dunn and D. Ellis.
11.04 " K. E. Grieg and G. M. Bryden.
11.08 " H. H. Mundy and R. K. Valentine.
11.12 " D. L. Prophet and H. H. Beddow.
11.16 " D. H. Blake and M. H. Turner.
11.20 " W. Thomson and A. T. Lay.
11.24 " J. E. Dovey and S. S. Perry.
11.28 " W. A. Stewart and D. S. Robb.
12.40 " Reserved.
12.44 " and
12.48 " New Captain plays himself in Final Club Championship.
12.55 " Reserved.

TRIANGULAR GAME

The above game will be followed by the Club v. Army (4.00 p.m.) in their first round encounter of the Triangular Tournament.

The Army side will be:—Sergeant Gould (S.W.B.), Lieut. A. G. Martin (S.W.B.), captain, Pte. Simmons (S.W.B.), Lieut. Galletly (S.W.B.), Lieut. Rolister (Lincolns); Lieut. Walker (R.E.), L/Cpl. Hewitt (S.W.B.); Lieut. B. L. E. Hebert (R.A.); L/Cpl. Hardy (S.W.B.), Pte. Gilmore (S.W.B.), Pte. Walters (S.W.B.), Gunner Barracough (R.A.), Pte. Jones (S.W.B.), Pte. Lloyd (S.W.B.), Lieut. Metcalfe (R.A.).

The Club side will be:—J. P. Whitman; J. J. Ferguson, W. H. B. Rigg, R. H. Griffiths, G. P. Lammer, M. W. Turner, J. A. R. Selby (Captain); G. A. Stewart, I. H. Bradford, A. F. Walkden; F. R. Burch, D. A. Cumming, K. A. Munro, D. McLellan, R. O. F. King.

Reserves, J. Hutchinson, H. C. Meeks, C. Austin.
The Triangular Tournament between the Navy, Army and Club is held annually for the Hong Kong Rugby Challenge Cup and the following are the previous winners: 1910—Club; 1911—Garrison XV; 1912—Garrison XV; 1913—Club; 1914—Club; 1921-2-3-4-5—Royal Navy; 1926—Club; 1927-8-9—Royal Navy; 1930—Club; 1931, Triangles; 1932—Royal Navy; 1933—Club.
To-morrow's match counts towards the 1934 competition.

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LADIES' HOCKEY

H.K. Teams For
To-day

The following will represent the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club 1st XI in a Cax Clark Cup match against the C.B.A. at Sookumpoo to-day at 3.15 p.m.
M. Bird; B. Hebling, M. Wallace; B. Hance, E. K. Lowe, E. O'Hagan; E. Bell, J. Dalziel, E. Bonner; J. Churchill, E. Selby.

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI in a match against the H.M.S. "Kent" on the Navy ground, Happy Valley, at 3 p.m.
H. Westlake; C. Robertson, B. White, B. Franklin, D. Robertson, M. Rattey; M. Bishop, J. Whyte, S. Adams, B. Goldman, R. King, the harbour.

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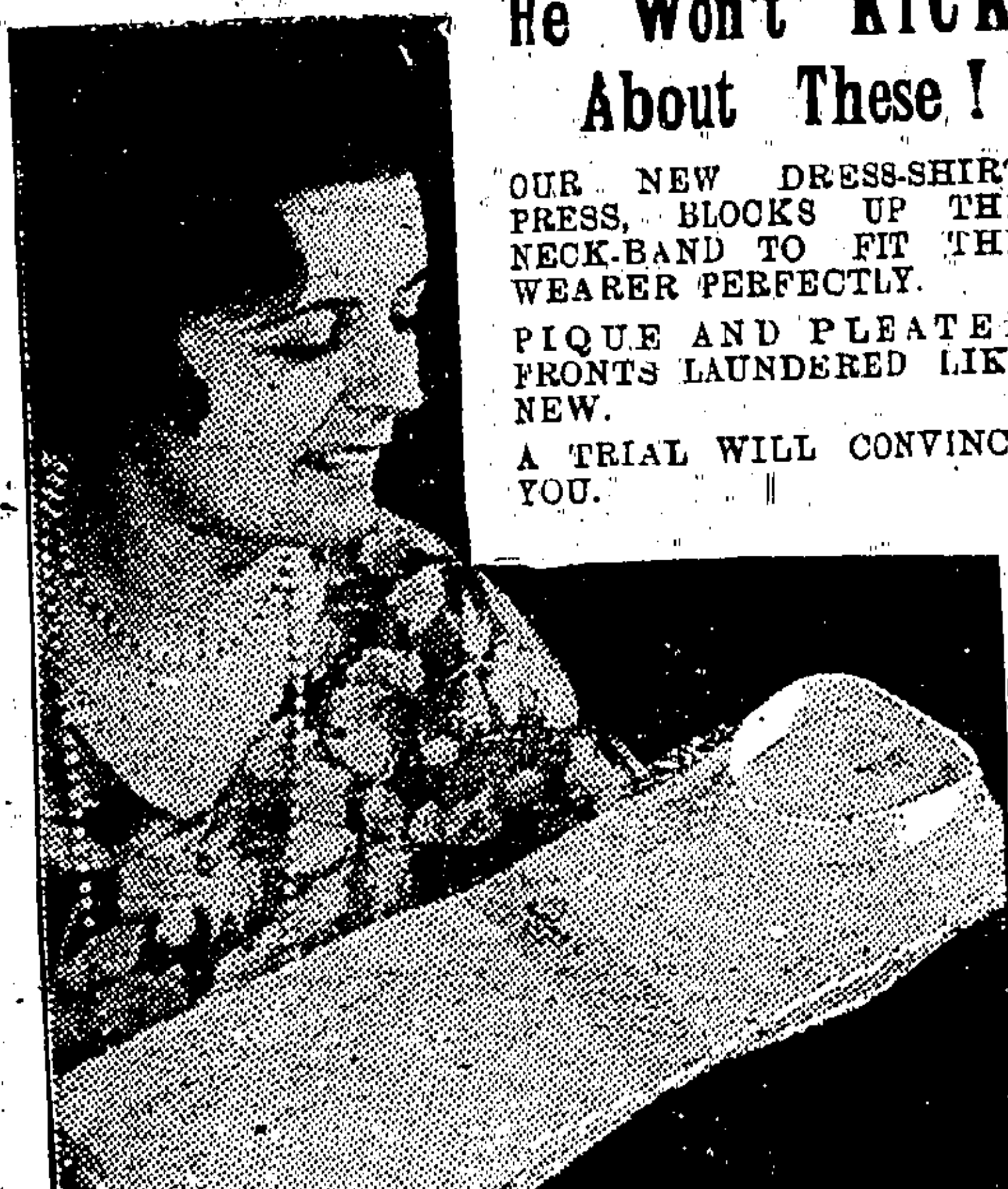
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(Third Sunday in Advent)

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17th December 1933.
 Third Sunday in Advent.
 Holy Communion 8 a.m.
 Holy Communion (Peak Church) 8 a.m.
 Children's Service 10 a.m.
 Mattins and Sermon 11 a.m.
 Preacher: The Rev. F. N. Chamberlain R.N.
 Holy Communion 12.15 p.m.
 Evensong 6.30 p.m.
 Preacher: The Bishop of Hong Kong.
 Subject: "Visions and Reality."
 Social Evening in Cathedral Hall after Evensong.

WEEK DAY SERVICES.
 Mattins, Daily at 9.00 a.m. Monday excepted.
 Intercessions for the Sick, Wednesday at 10.15 a.m.
 Holy Communion, Ember Day, Wednesday Dec. 20th at 7.45 a.m.
 Holy Communion, St. Thomas' Day, Thursday Dec. 21st at 7.45 a.m.
 Holy Communion, Ember Day, Saturday Dec. 22nd at 7.45 a.m.
 Holy Communion, Ember Day, Saturday Dec. 23rd at 7.45 a.m.
 Choir Practice, Friday at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 23rd inst. The Carol Choir will tour the parish from 8 p.m. collecting for St. Dunstan's Homes.

Christmas Decorations.—Gifts of flowers and greenery for Church decoration will be gladly received and should reach the Church by 10 a.m. on Saturday, 23rd inst. The help of the ladies of the congregation in the work of decorating is urgently needed.

OTHER NOTICES

THE BISHOP'S DISCUSSION GROUPS.

For Men Mondays at 1.00 p.m. at Lane Crawford's.
 On Friday evening of this week there will be no Discussion Group.
 "The First Nowell" a Nativity Play by Maud Gamble, will be produced in the Cathedral at 8.00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday December 21st and 22nd.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KOWLOON.

Services for Sunday, December 17th, 3rd Sunday in Advent.
 8.15 a.m. Holy Communion.
 10.00 a.m. Young People's Service and Primary Sunday School.
 11.00 a.m. Choral Communion and Sermon.
 Celebrant and Preacher—The Bishop.
 Subject—"The Coming of Christ in our homes".
 6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.
 Preacher—The Vicar.
 This afternoon (Saturday), Mrs. J. R. Wood opened the Diocesan Girls' School Bazaar at 3 p.m. It is hoped that all friends will attend.
 Thursday, 21st inst., St. Andrew's choir will broadcast carols from ZBV 7.30-8 p.m.
 There will be a Fancy-dress Christmas Dance, in the Church Hall, at 9 p.m. organized by St. Andrew's Club.
 Charge for admission—Members \$1, Non-members \$1.50.

Catholic Churches

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL (CAINE ROAD).

Dec. 17th.—3rd, Sunday in Advent.
 In the morning:
 At 6 Mass;
 At 8 Sprinkling of the Holy Water;
 Water; Mass with Chinese sermon.
 At 10.30 Mass with English sermon.
 In the afternoon:
 At 4 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
 Week days:
 Mass at 6 and 7.30. Vespers and Benediction at 5.30 p.m.
 Dec. 20th.—Ember Day—Abstinence.
 Dec. 22nd.—Chinese Solstice Festival. Abstinence is dispensed by special favour of the Ordinary of the Vicariate dated the 7th inst.
 Dec. 23rd.—Ordinations at the Regional Seminary (Aberdeen) to be held at 7.30 by H. E. Bishop G. Desvignes Titular Bishop of Maximiana and Superior of the House of Nazareth. (Pokfulum).

Free Churches

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Order by the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck.
 Hymn No. 127 "Brightest and best of the sons of the morning" (Spean).
 Prayer of Invocation.
 The Lord's Prayer.
 Hymn No. 188 "Come, Thou long expected Jesus" (Stuttgart).
 First Lesson, Isa. 25.
 Hymn No. 229 "When God of old came down from heaven" (Winchester Old).
 Second Lesson 1 Peter, 5.
 Prayer of Intercession.
 Notices.
 Hymn No. 189 "Hail, Thou once despised Jesus" (Austria).
 Sermon Subject: "The Great Physician Passes by".
 Hymn No. 164 "When I survey the wondrous cross".
 Blessing.
 National Anthem.
 Evening order by the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck.
 Hymn No. 197 "O come, O come, Emmanuel" (Ephraim).
 Lesson.
 Prayer.
 Hymn No. 648 "Lord of the worlds above" (Christchurch).
 Notices.
 Hymn No. 673 "Glorious things of Thee are spoken" (Luz).
 Sermon.
 Blessing.
NOTICES.
 Weekly service on Tuesday 19th Dec. at 8.30 p.m.
 Meeting for Prayer on Friday, 22nd Dec. at 6.00 p.m.
 Monday 18th December at 8.30 p.m.
 A Dance will be held at which the Choro Band will provide the music. Admission \$1.00 (including refreshments).
Special Announcements.
 A Bazaar will be held in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on Thursday 21st December and Friday 22nd December commencing at 3 p.m. each day. The proceeds are in aid of the Building Extension Fund. There will be Stalls, Side-shows, Sweets, Lucky Dip, Refreshments etc. A small charge of 10 cents will be made for admission.
 In view of the Dance and Bazaar—Badminton will be cancelled for the week.

UNION CHURCH

Kennedy Road, (Hong Kong).
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1933.
 Sunday School, 9.30 a.m.
 Talk, 9.45 p.m.
 Morning Service, 10.30 a.m.
 Evening Service, 8 p.m.
 Preacher at both Services—The Rev. Dr. E. L. Allen.
 Social Hour at the Church Hall after Evening Service.
 Dec. 18th, 5.30 p.m. Church Choir practices Messiah in Coleboration for Choir, Sunday, 24th Dec.

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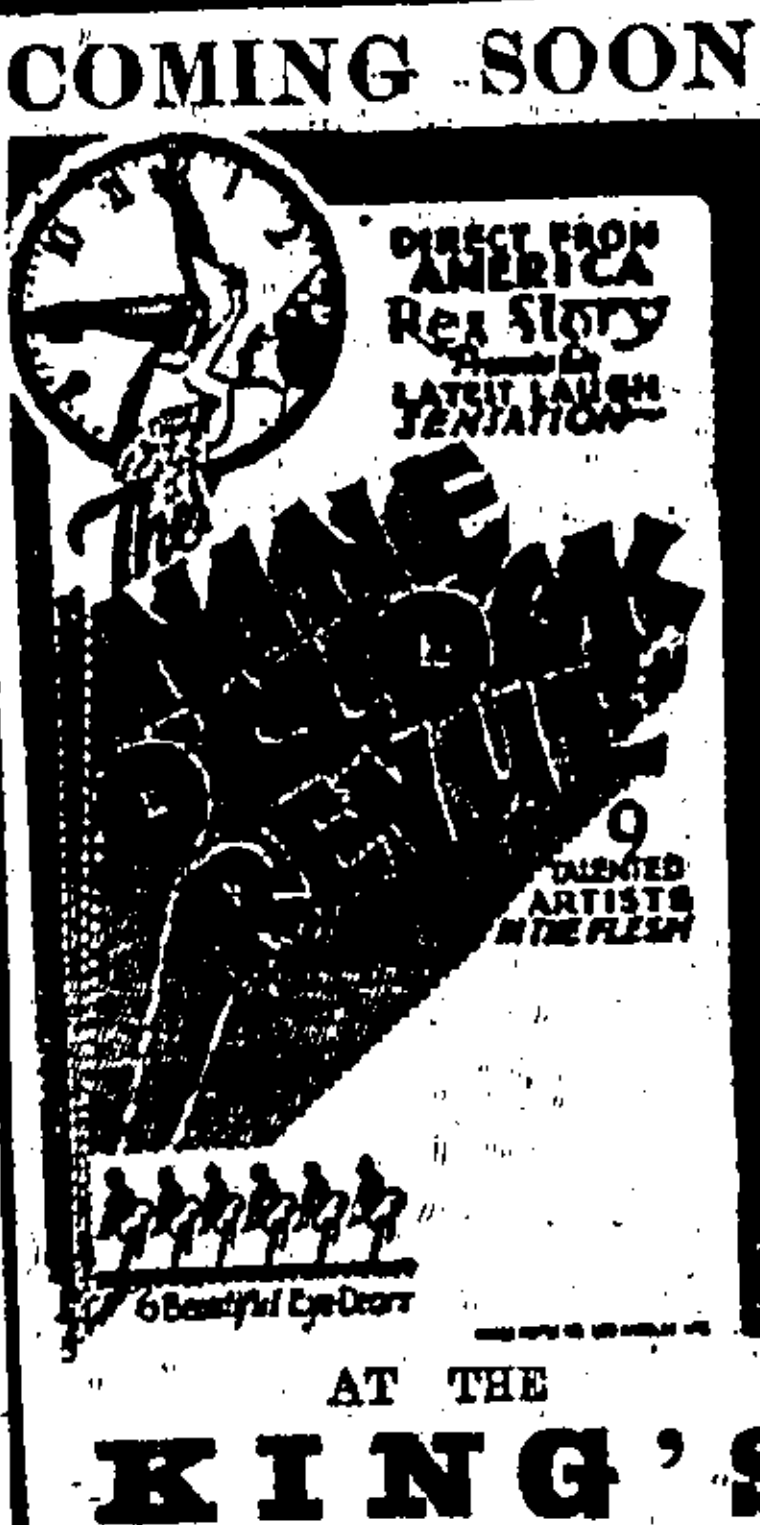
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 Partnership, 33.4, 1.04.2.
 Mon Talisman, 34.0, 1.16.
 Wembley Stag, 32.2.
 The Goat, 32.2, 1.14.4.
 Woodland Stag, 31.3, 59.
 King's Justice, 31.1, 1.00.3.
 Evening Star, 29.4, 59.
 White Butterfly, 33.3, 1.04.4.
 Sado, 30.3, 1.00.3.
 King Salmon, 29.2.
 Daylight Eve, 31.4, 1.04.
 Mermaid, 33.4, 1.04.
 Powerful King, 32.2, 1.02.2.
 Warrington, 34.1, 1.07.1.
 Ajax, 32.2, 1.03.
 Tecumseh, 30.5, 57.2.
 Night Star, 30.2, 58.2.
 Gay Butterfly, 32.1, 1.02.3.
 Vigilance, 32.1, 1.02.3.
 Bagulo, 35.1, 1.07.1.
 Black Rock, 35.1, 1.07.1.
 The Panther, 34.1, 1.06.3.
 Festival Eve, 35.2, 1.09.1.
 Glen Shee, 35.1, 1.08.3.
 Maria Petra, 33.
 Black Velvet, 37.3, 1.08.4.
 Lucy Gitters, 30.3, 58.2.

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HONG KONG SOCCER SIDE GOING TO SHANGHAI

The invitation sent by the Shanghai Football Association to the Hongkong Football Association for the latter to send an inter-territorial side to Shanghai during the China New Year has been accepted.

CLAPTON ORIENT MAY TRANSFER MILLS

Offers Expected For Welsh International Forward

After his good display for Wales against England at Newcastle recently T. J. Mills, the Clapton Orient inside-left, was the subject of many inquiries. Two First Division League clubs were keenly interested.

Mr. David Pratt, the Orient manager, who went North with Mills, stated on his return to London to-day that there was every prospect of developments by the end of the week.

Wolverhampton Wanderers have been watching Mills' form for five or six weeks. More recently Newcastle United became keenly interested and are now likely to make an offer for his transfer.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CRUISE

The C. P. R. announced to Shanghai a special Christmas and New Year's Holiday Cruise on their luxurious white Empress liner for: Empress of Canada, sailing for: Hongkong and Manila on Wednesday, December 20. The cost of the tour will include the steamship passage, hotel, meals, room and bath, and Hongkong baggage transfer and passengers will have the choice of travelling to Manila and back, or merely to Hongkong. The Hongkong and return trip will cost \$373 (8306 tourist class), passengers staying either at the Repulse Bay or the Peninsula Hotel from December 22 to January 4, arriving back here on January 6. An inclusive cost of \$468 (328 tourist class) entitles passengers to a trip to Hongkong and Manila, returning to the Colony on December 27, where they have an option of the same two hotels for their eight days' stay.

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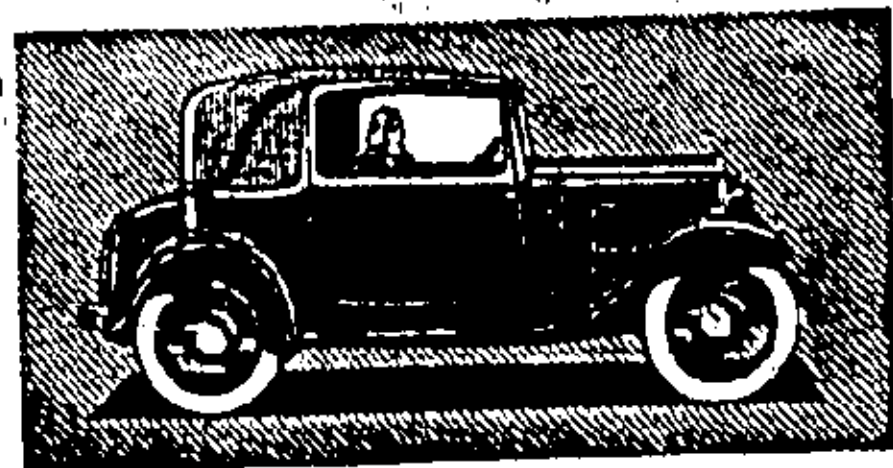
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed and
placed at THREE RIX in the Hong Kong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-
pany's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
Consignment will be sorted out Mark
by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as
the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here
unless instructions have been given to the
contrary Six Hours before arrival of the
Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days
including date of arrival will be subject to
Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Com-
missioners, and the Company's Surveyors,
Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m.
on Mondays and Thursdays, within the
Free Storage period.

Consignees are specially notified that
it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to
be present at the examination to
damaged dutiable cargo.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before 3rd Jan., 1934, or they will
not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 14th Dec., 1933. [078]

DRAMAS ON THE FERRY

Little Episodes That Pass Unnoticed

From our Kowloon Correspondent

Countries and individuals have one
great characteristic in common,
neither can find anything praise-
worthy in the things that form a
regular part of their existence.
All over the world at the present
time people are complaining of
economic depression and yet they
pay money to go to theatres to
see the humour, the pathos, the de-
graded and the sublime that go to
make up life, when a far more in-
teresting drama is unfolding prac-
tically at their back door. In the
star ferry landing at Kowloon,
residents of that district have one
of the finest stages of the world.
A stage upon which the action and
dialogue is the result of years of
training and the characters are
the pupils trained by that hard
and bitter school, experience.

Watch them for a moment, these
people who ride on the ferry. They
represent every phase of humanity.

Look, here is an old Chinese
gentleman, one of those who
lives not in the China of to-day,
but the China of thirty, forty, fifty
years ago. His white moustache
which curves like an inverted
horseshoe from his lips is cut the
same as that worn by his father
and his father before him. His
hands are long and slender. He
folds them across his waist and his
dark brown eyes, dimmed a little
by the passing years look across to
where a new Miss China sits back-
ing in her glory.

She is modern, she is free, and
pleasantly conscious of the interest
being taken in her and she sits

pretty in her silken dress, with
its split skirt. Out of the corner
of her eye she notices the young
Englishman who sits on the other
end of the seat. Her little face,
framed in bobbed hair is immo-
bile. What is going on behind
that forehead?

The object of her momentary
scrutiny turns away his head, but
presently begins to look back and
soon he is watching her with in-
terest, unaware of the fact that
she can see his expression reflect-
ed in the ferry window. A few
moments he looks, then pulling out
his pipe he once more turns away
his head and does not gaze in that
direction again until the gang-
plank is lowered. He is about to
disembark and then his attention
is drawn by a voice which says in
a nasal tone, "Yuh got a match
bud?"

It is an American, not the type
who make the world their home,
and are welcomed in every part of
it, but the tourist, who is travel-
ling about the world and who on
his return home will consider him-
self an authority on international
matters and bore the informed and
prejudice the ignorant with his
hastily assumed store of knowl-
edge.

The match is donated and the
passengers begin to go ashore. A
play has taken place in the con-
fines of one ferry seat, and while
we have been watching this, one
hundred more have gone on unno-
ticed.

ROLE OF RADIO IN CHINA

Part of Educational System

Since unity is essential to the
future development of China as a
nation, radio may be the most im-
portant factor in her progress in
the opinion of Marquis Marconi
who is visiting Shanghai en route
around the world with Mar-
chioness Marconi.

Though recovering from a severe
cold, the Marquis received the
press yesterday afternoon in the
flower filled Chinese suite at the
Cathay Hotel. The Marchioness,
chief in black relieved by a dashing
coral scarf, also was gracious to
interviewers.

The entertainment and educa-
tional value of radio is outstanding
so in the second field it should be
paramount in the modern educa-
tional programme that China needs
to replace the ancient system which
no longer suffices, according to the
visitor.

Impressed By Students

He expressed himself as greatly
pleased by the alertness of the stu-
dents there and added that he had
been fortunate during his stay in
China in meeting a number of in-
tellectuals. In view of its huge
population the country faces a
golden opportunity for progress, he
said, with its vast supply of human
material.

At the present time, the great
scientist is chiefly interested in the
study of micro-waves, which are
free from static and require smaller
apparatus and no antenna. This
field affords more channels for
radio communications, another ob-
vious advantage. Two of his stu-
dents are in operation in Italy and
in the spring he hopes to test their
reliability, as well as making ex-
periments from his yacht, the Elec-
tra.

If the micro-waves are shown to
be reliable for great distances,
there will be another revolution in
the radio world, he declared. If not
—with a characteristic shrug—
science must be content with its
present status, for a time at least.

Typical of his theory of life is
the statement that hard work must
follow even the most brilliant idea.
For, if the originator is slow, or
lazy, a more ambitious individual
will arrive at the same conclusion
or it will be lost to the world al-
together.

CRICKET CLUB OF INDIA

Lord Willingdon The Patron

A new cricket club, which will
be the leading club of India, has
just been founded. It will be
called the Cricket Club of India.
Lord Willingdon, the Viceroy, is
patron, and in a message promys-
ing his support he said:—

"As an old cricketer, who has
watched the really extraordinary
growth of and interest taken in
the game throughout India since
I first came to Bombay as Gov-
ernor 20 years ago, where I think
it should always be remembered
that cricket was first actively
started in this country, largely
through the influence of that fine
cricketer, the late Lord Harris, who
was one of my predecessors as
Governor of that Residency. I
gladly give my support and ap-
proval to the proposed formation
of the Cricket Club of India."

"The fine showing that our In-
dian team made last year against
the best of English cricketers is
sufficient evidence of what we
may hope for in the future, but
without full co-operation and good
organisation we cannot achieve
the best results. And there is an-
other side of the game of cricket
when I always feel should be
borne in mind. Cricket is in very
truth one of the links that bind
the British Empire together;
through cricket we get a better
understanding of each other and
get a fuller realisation of each
other's temperament and charac-
teristics; by playing cricket we all
learn how to "play the game,"
which is of the first importance
to the people of any country in
their varied occupations and pro-
fessions in life."

"The objects of the promotion of
this club are far-reaching, but to
secure their objects they must
have practical financial support.
They hope to secure sufficient sup-
port to enable them to provide
cricket grounds, professional
coaches, and other facilities in
order to improve and develop the
game."

"I feel quite sure that all who
hold dear the cricketing future of
India will give this venture their
generous support, and thereby as-
sist in a practical way to enable
our country to win before long

VARITY JOTTINGS

The following will represent the
university 2nd Cricket Team in a
friendly match against Queen's
College at Pokfulam, to-day:—A.
B. Tata, M. C. Hung, K. L. Ng,
K. P. Gan, T. W. Goh, G. Abra-
ham, A. C. N. da Silva, H. T. Bee,
F. S. Fernando, K. S. Cheng and
C. H. Soo.

Macao Trip

The Varsity Hockey Team is
making a trip to Macao to-day.
The players will leave the Colony
at 8 a.m. by the s.s. Sul Tai, and
will stay in Macao for two days.
This evening they are scheduled to
meet the Macao Hockey Club. The
undergraduates line up as fol-
lows:—P. G. Tang, A. M. Rodri-
gues, F. L. Gosano, T. W. Goh,
(Capt.) F. H. Ong, H. L. Azorio,
S. Reed, L. Oliveira, K. S. Ng, B.
K. Ng, K. S. Cheng, O. I. da Sousa.

Charity Match

The University Soccer Eleven
will meet the Government Civil
Hospital in a charity football
match at 3 p.m. tomorrow, on the
Club Ground. The Varsity team
is as follows:—C. H. Lim, K. S.
Lew (Capt.) K. Y. Lee, W. H.
Loong, H. Goel, H. N. Lee, N.
Gorachenko, H. T. Woo, C. T.
Law, P. P. Kho, S. G. Tica.

NEW JOB FOR GENERAL JOHNSON

New York, Dec. 14.
A sensation has been created
by a report in the "Chicago Daily
News" stating that the Recov-
ery Administrator, General Hugh
Johnson, is relinquishing office
within a week.

It is stated that he will take
up another Government position.
—Reuter.

the highest position in Inter-Em-
pire cricket."

It is hoped that the new club
will soon have an all-India mem-
bership of thousands, and a cam-
paign is on foot to get the mem-
bership roll up to 10,000 by the
end of the M.C.C. tour.

The Next War

Questioned concerning his opin-
ion of the part radio will play in
the "next war," he replied that,
though hoping such a disaster is
in the far future, he felt the role
would be of major importance in
directing ships, aeroplanes and the
thoughts of the people. "Educat-
ing the public, I believe is the
correct phrase," he added.

In the world to-day, he considers
Russia one of the leading nations
in the study of radio, though he
has not visited the country since
before the revolution, when he saw
it only from the official angle. The
isolation of her villages, logically,
would make its development vital
since the morning paper is not on
the breakfast table of every farmer,
as in the United States or England.
He expressed a great desire to
visit Soviet Russia, where he has
been invited.

BRITAIN MAY BUILD BRAZIL'S NEW NAVY

"This morning I received an in-
quiry from the Brazilian Govern-
ment. It was practically for a
complete new Navy," said Com-
mander C. W. Craven, managing
director of Messrs. Vickers, Arm-
strong, Ltd., at Barrow recently.

"We shall be in competition with
many other countries," he added,
"but I am so hopeful that I am
sending four or five senior men to
Brazil to be on the spot."

An inquiry for a new and larger
Orient liner would also be coming
shortly, and orders from Sheffield
works showed a substantial im-
provement. Since April, the num-
ber of people employed had risen
from 6,990 to 9,111.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Having arrived from Hamburg and
Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby notified that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk
into the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Company's godowns at
Kowloon, where Delivery may be ob-
tained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will not be landed
here, unless Notice has been given 48
hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried
on from port to port to the final port of
call to which the option extends.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
Thursday, 21st December, will be
subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on Wednes-
day, 20th December, at 10 a.m. by our
Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded
Warehouse Regulations, consignees must
have a Revenue Officer in attendance
when damaged dutiable goods are
examined.

All Claims must reach us before the
Thursday, 18th January, 1934, or they
will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JEBSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 14th Dec., 1933. [2070]

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.
THE BEN LINE STEAMERS,
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FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO',
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AND STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENVENUE"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godown
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from
the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
18th December, will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 2nd, January or they will
not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded
Warehouse Regulations, consignees must
have a Revenue Officer in attendance
when damaged dutiable goods are
examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on the 18th
Dec., at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard
& Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected
by **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,**
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Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Monday	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Monday
Banks								
\$1,815		\$1,820		H.K. Banks		\$1,820		
				Do. (London)				
				Chartered Banks				
				Do. (C)				
				Bank of East Asia				
				N. O. & S. Banks				
				Am. O. Fin. Corp. S.				
				Ch. Fin. Corp. Ord. S.				
				Do. Prof. S.				
				Insurance				
\$300				Canton Insurance				
				Underwriters				
\$583		\$585		Union Insurance				
				China Fire				
				H.K. Fire				
\$280		\$270		International Assoc. S.				
				Shipping				
				Douglases				
				Steamboats				
				Indos (pref.)				
				Do. (def.)				
				Shells				
				Waterboats				
				Mining				
				Amantoks				
				Balatoos				
				Banguo Gold				
				Banguo Consolidated				
				Do. Goldfield				
				Do. Goldfield				
				Big Wages				
				Gold Creek				
				Ipo Mining				
				Kogons				
				Kailans				
				Langkats (single) S.				
				Explorations				
				Shanghai Loans S.				
				Ranbr				
				Tronoh Mines				
				Venezuela Gold Fld.				
				Docks, Wharves, etc.				
				H.K. & K. Wharves				
				Providents (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				H.K. & W. Docks				
				S. China Motors				
				Do. "B"				
				Shanghai Docks S.				
				New Engineering S.				
				Hongkows				
				Lands, Hotels, and Buildings				
				H.K. Hotels				
				H.K. Lands				
				Shanghai Lands S.				
				Metropolitan Lands				
				H.K. Realities				
				China Do				
				Do. Debutures S.				
				Humphreys				
				New Asia Hotel				
				Asia Realities "A" S.				
				Do. "B" S.				
				China Estates				
				Cotton Mills				
				Ewos Cottons S.				
				Sing Sing S.				
				Wing On Textiles S.				
				Public Utilities				
				Tramways				
				Peak Trams (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Star Ferries				
				Yamutai Ferries				
				China Lights (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				H.K. Electric				
				Masso do				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones C. R.				
				Do. Rights				
				China Buses S.				
				Tractions				
				Do. (pref.)				
				Industrials				
				Malayan Sugars				
				Caldbeck (ord.) S.				
				Macgregors (pref.) S.				
				Canton Ice				
				Cements (comb.)				
				Do. (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Miscellaneous				
				Dairy Farms				
				Der A Wings				
				Amusements				
				Ch. Etainments				
				Constitutions (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Lans Crawfords				
				Mackintosh				
				Nanyang Tobacco				
				Sincera				
				Watsons				
				Wm. Powells				
				M. Greyhounds				
				S. C. Enterprises				
				United Theatres S.				
				B. Ind. G. Bonds				
				H.K. Govt. Loans				
				Wallace Hargre				
				H.K. Wing On				
				S'hai Do.				

MONEY AND MARKETS

H. K. STOCK MARKET

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The week just ending will have to be added to the list of recent weeks of inactivity and dullness, except that some new money came into the market for purely investment purposes. Banks, Canton Insurance, Union, H.K. Fire and Electric being readily absorbed. The general list, however, was more or less neglected throughout the period, with perhaps some professional covering for the adjustment of the forthcoming Settlement.

As noted in yesterday's Summary, China Lights declared a dividend of 45 cents on the old shares, and though the dividend was better than expected, it seemed to have no immediate effect on the market, the quotation for the shares, if anything, becoming easier. At the close, there were signs of more interest being shown in this stock.

BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK

Hongkong Banks, \$1820.
Canton Insurance, \$310.
Union Insurance, \$585.
Union Underwriters, \$11.
H.K. Fire Insurance, \$260, \$270.
Wharves, \$119.
Lands, \$72, \$71.
Tramways, \$21.20.
Star Ferries, \$100.
China Lights (old), \$9.40.
Electric, \$74, \$74.
Ranbr, \$134, \$133.
Banguo Explorations, 30 cents.
Ewo Cottons, \$143.40.
Shanghai Cottons, \$117.
CHANGES (3.15 p.m.) CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Buyers.
China Providents (old), \$22.
Hotels, \$6.15.
China Lights (old), \$9.40.
Banguo Explorations, 31 cts.
Sellers.
China Providents (old), \$22.5.
China Explorations (new), \$1.
Hotels, \$6.1.
Sales.
Ewo Cottons, \$143.40.

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS. REPORT

Silver prices rose 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 18 1/4 for Ready and 18 1/16 for Forward. Silver advances reported America as having bought. The tone was steady. In America the rate rose 1/4 to 4 1/4 for Spot. The tone was steady.

New York advices reported the opening rate at 5.0 1/2 and the closing rate at 5.12. The highest rate done was 5.12 and the lowest 5.05.

U.S. Dollars.
The market opened with sellers at 1/5 9/32, buyers bidding 1/5 5/16 at which rate a small business was done for near-delivery followed by transactions at 1/5 13/32 for February and 1/5 11/32 for near delivery. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 1/5 11/32 December-January and probably 1/5 13/32 February, buyers at 1/32 higher respectively.

U.S. Dollars.
The market opened with sellers at 3 1/2, buyers bidding 3 1/16. Subsequently the selling rate rose gradually to 3 7/8 resulting in business at 3 7/8 for cash and also 3 7/8 for cash. 3 7/8 and 3 7/8 were also arranged for the end of December. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 3 7/8 December and 3 7/8 January, buyers at 3 7/8 for near and 3 7/8 January.

Yen.
Merchants were quoted at 11 1/4 for near delivery.
Shanghai Dollars.
Business was done in the Inter-Bank market at 110 13/16 for cash. There were sellers at 110 13/16 for near, buyers at 110 1/4 for cash.

Shanghai.
Sellers were indicated at 1/3 5/8 for near, buyers probably at 1/3 11/16 for cash.

U.S. Dollars.
Sellers were quoted at 3 1/2 for near, buyers at 3 7/8 for cash.

IN THE AFTERNOON
The market was firmer in the afternoon for U.S. Dollars. Sterling rates were unchanged.

Sterling.
No business was reported, finishing with sellers at 1/5 11/32 December-January and 1/5 13/32 February, buyers at 1/5 11/32 December-January and 1/5 7/16 February.

U.S. Dollars.
Business was done at 3 7/8 5/16 for near and 3 7/8 1/16 January. At the close there were sellers at 3 7/8 1/4 December, 3 7/8 January and 3 7/8 second half January, buyers at 3 7/8 5/16 for near, 3 7/8 1/16 January and 3 7/8 second half January.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

On	Sterling Parity	Dec. 13.	Dec. 14.
Amsterdam	12.10 Florins	8.17	8.13
Athens	375 Drachmas	582	582
Belgrade	276,316 Dinars	240	242
Bombay	20.48 Marks	13.74	13.69
Buenos Aires	1.66 per Peso	1/6 3/64	1/6 3/64
Brussels	36 Belgas	23.65	23.51
Bucharest	813,568 Lei	550	550
Canton	47.58d. per Peso	35 1/2 O.S.	35 1/2 S.O.
Copenhagen	18.150 Kroner	22.40	22.40
Geneva	25.22 Marks	16.98	16.87
Helsinki	193.33 Marks	226	226
Hongkong	110 Escudos	1/5 1/16	1/5 1/16
London	25.22 Marks	109	109
Madrid	62.46 Lire	40 5/16	40 1/32
Manila	50.85d. per Peso	62 9/16	62
Montevideo	4.667 Dollars	34 1/2 O.S.	34 1/2 S.O.
Montreal	4.667 Dollars	5.04	5.07
New York	18.150 Kroner	5.04	5.10
Oslo	124.21 Francs	19.90	19.90
Paris	164.25 Kronen	83 31/32	83 15/32
Prague	26.90d. per Gold	110	110
Rio de Janeiro	4 1/2 O.S.	4 1/2 S.O.	4 1/2 S.O.
Shanghai	1/3 9/16	1/3 9/16	1/3 9/16
Stockholm	18.150 Kroner	19.39	19.39
Vienna	34.54 Schillings	30	29
Yokohama	24.58d. per Yen	1/3 15/32	1/3 15/32
Silver (spot)	18 9/16	18 9/16	18 9/16
Silver (forward)	18 1/2	18 11/16	18 11/16
War Loan	100	100	100

Closing Quotations

December 15, 1933.	On New York:
Telegraphic Transfer...	Bank Bills, on demand 28
Bank Bills, on demand...	Credits, 60 days' sight, nom.
Bank Bills, 4 months' sight...	On demand...
Credits, four months' sight...	On demand...
On SHANGHAI:	Bank Bills, on demand 68 1/2
On demand...	Credits, 4 months' sight 62 1/2
On SINGAPORE:	On demand...
On demand...	On demand...
On JAPAN:	On demand...
On demand...	On demand...
On INDIA:	On demand...
Telegraphic Transfer...	On demand...
Bank, on demand...	On demand...

BIRMINGHAM SMALL ARMS

Annual General Meeting

Special Air-Mail Service

London, Nov. 22.
The annual, ordinary general meeting of the Birmingham Small Arms Company, Ltd., was held at the Daimler Works, Coventry.

Sir Alexander Roger (chairman of the company), said: It is with a considerable amount of satisfaction that the directors are able to submit a profit and loss account and balance-sheet showing so great an improvement on the results of last year, although they regret that the improvement has not been sufficient to extinguish entirely last year's debit balance.

The profit for the year which includes the total profits of the subsidiary companies, amounts to £245,531, whereas the last accounts showed a net loss of £268,848 of which approximately £331,000 was due to trading, and £386,000 was set aside for possible losses on realisation of stock-in-trade.

In arriving at the profits of the subsidiary companies, all usual charges for depreciation and taxation have been made, and the net results for the year arrived at on a normal basis have been transferred to the parent company. The profits have not been increased as a result of the writings-down made a year ago.

Daimler Company, Ltd., Lancaster Motor Company, Ltd., B.S.A. Cars, Ltd.—These three companies are responsible for the production and sales of Daimler, Lancaster and B.S.A. cars, all of which incorporate the famous Daimler fluid fly-wheel transmission.

Some two or three years ago, when the purchasing power of the community was on the wane, we found that the sale of big Daimler cars was decreasing. After much deliberation our Board decided to adopt a bold policy and embark on the production of smaller cars. This step not only involved heavy financial risk, it necessitated almost a revolution in factory method, production, inspection and sales, and it assumed a successful reception by the public at a time when depression throughout the country was probably at its deepest.

Not for the first time the Daimler Company was able to lead the way in technical improvement and place on the market a car which, in its many new details and refinements, including and principally the Daimler fluid fly-wheel transmission, marks an advance which is little less than revolutionary and ranks ahead of all competitors.

ANOTHER HIGH BANK RESERVE

Third Time This Year

Special Air-Mail Service

London, Nov. 22.
For the third time this year the Bank of England Reserve has touched a new high, record being now at £22,876,414. The previous record of £22,528,535 was touched three weeks ago, viz., on October 28.

The rise in the reserve is due entirely to a return of notes from circulation, a movement usual at this time of the year.

The fall in the note circulation is about £42 million as compared with a decline of just under £2 million in the corresponding week of 1932, but the amount of notes now outstanding is nearly £10 million more than a year ago. The total present note issue is £450.5 million against £414.4 million at this time last year while the Bank's gold holding is now £191.7 million compared with £140.4 million a year ago.

A further contraction in the note circulation and a consequent new high reserve record may be witnessed next week, but thereafter the trend will be for the note circulation to expand in connection with the Christmas cash demands.

During the last five weeks of 1932 the notes outstanding increased from £357.8 million to £371.1 million, an expansion of £13.3 million. In view of the greater trade activity, Christmas demands should be heavier this year.

Canton Silk Market

From the Kwangtung Raw Silk Testing Bureau, Department of Reconstruction, Canton.

Canton Quotations.
December 13.
Extra O.S. 13/15 H.K. \$560N.
Small Extra O.S. 13/15 H.K. \$460N.
Crack N.S. 14/16 H.K. \$372 1/2 P.
Extra Extra 20/22 H.K. \$330 P.
Waste N.S. Open H.K. \$52 1/2 P.

Yokohama Quotations.
Spot, Yen 560.
Bourse six months, Yen 575.

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New York: December 14

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

AMOI, SHANGHAI & DAIRIN	"TAMING"	On 16th Dec. 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"SZACHUEN"	On 17th Dec. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 17th Dec. Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"SOOCHOW"	On 19th Dec. 10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 20th Dec. 5 p.m.
AMOI, SWATOW, HONGKONG & SINGAPORE	"ANSUN"	On 22nd Dec. 6 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HUPEH"	On 22nd Dec. 10 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKONG	"KWANGTUNG"	On 22nd Dec. 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI & DAIRIN	"LINAN"	On 22nd Dec. 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"SHANTUNG"	On 24th Dec. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 24th Dec. Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"STEAMER"	On 26th Dec. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KINGYUAN"	On 28th Dec. 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & DAIRIN	"TEAN"	On 29th Dec. 5 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"SUNNING"	On 31st Dec. 10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 3rd Jan. 5 p.m.

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STEAMER	Days	From Hong Kong	Leaves Hong Kong	Leaves Manila	Days
CHANGTAE	In Port	10 Dec.	22 Dec.	7 Jan.	29 Feb.
TAIPING	4 Jan.	11 Jan.	13 Jan.	17 Jan.	5 March
CHANGTAE	8 Feb.	14 Feb.	16 Feb.	20 Feb.	1 April
TAIPING	6 Mar.	13 Mar.	15 Mar.	19 Mar.	

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M.S. "Malaya"	18th Dec.	18th Dec.	18th Dec.
M.S. "Annam"	9th Jan.	9th Jan.	9th Jan.
M.S. "Afrika"	31st Jan.	31st Jan.	31st Jan.
M.S. "Danmark"	2nd Mar.	2nd Mar.	2nd Mar.

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S.S. "HAICHING" on FRIDAY, 22nd DEC., 3 P.M.

S.S. "HAINING" on TUESDAY, 26th DEC., 4 P.M.

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Amoy.

Taming, B. & S., Dec. 16.

Anshun, B. & S., Dec. 19.

Hai Yang, Douglas, Dec. 19.

Tsinan, B. & S., Dec. 20.

Hai Ching, Douglas, Dec. 22.

Santha, B.I. (Apar), Dec. 22.

Ho Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 21.

Takada, B.I. (Apar), Jan. 12.

Cheloo.

Hop Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 19.

Hang Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 24.

Dahy.

Taming, B. & S., Dec. 16.

Linan, B. & S., Dec. 22.

Santha, B.I. (Apar), Dec. 22.

Sarpenden, B. & S., Jan. 6.

Helena, B. & S., Jan. 9.

Foochow.

Hai Yang, Douglas, Dec. 19.

Hop Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 19.

Hai Ching, Douglas, Dec. 22.

Hang Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 24.

JAPAN (Direct).

Ho Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 31.

Protestant, B. & S., Jan. 4.

Japan and Shanghai.

Agamemnon, B. & S., Dec. 17.

Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 18.

Porto, Messageries, Dec. 18.

Coblenz, Melchers, Dec. 19.

Hiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 19.

Kut Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 19.

Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, Dec. 19.

Moncalieri, Dollar's, Dec. 20.

Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.

Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Dec. 22.

Peiping, Gilman's, Dec. 23.

Pyrhus, B. & S., Dec. 23.

Tranon, Thoresen's, Dec. 24.

Bhutan, P. & O., Dec. 23.

Saale, Melcher's, Dec. 23.

Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 23.

Santha, B.I. (Apar), Dec. 23.

Gertrude Maerk, Jensen's, Dec. 30.

Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, Dec. 30.

Calchas, B. & S., Dec. 31.

Chenaceux, Thoresen's, Dec. 31.

Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Jan. 4.

Pres. Grant, Dollar's, Jan. 5.

Behar, P. & O., Jan. 7.

Nellore, E. & A., Jan. 7.

Adras, B. & S., Jan. 9.

Annam, Manners, Jan. 9.

Helena, B. & S., Jan. 9.

Holsten, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.

Assam Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 10.

Esanpura, P. & O., Jan. 12.

Takada, B.I. (Apar), Jan. 12.

D'Artagnan, Messageries, Jan. 14.

Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 15.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Jan. 16.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, Jan. 16.

Deucalion, B. & S., Jan. 19.

Soudan, P. & O., Jan. 23.

Otari.

Pyrhus, B. & S., Dec. 23.

Calchas, B. & S., Dec. 31.

Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 15.

Pukow.

Deucalion, B. & S., Jan. 19.

SHANGHAI AND WAY PORTS.

Taming, B. & S., Dec. 16.

Szechuen, B. & S., Dec. 17.

Yuen Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 17.

Soochow, B. & S., Dec. 19.

Sandviken, Jardine's, Dec. 20.

Tsinan, B. & S., Dec. 20.

Hupel, B. & S., Dec. 22.

Linan, B. & S., Dec. 22.

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Yu Sang, Jardine's, Dec. 24.

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MONDAY, " 25—Sail from Manila in afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, " 27—Arrive Hong Kong early morning.

Canadian Pacific and Philippine Tourist Association representatives will meet the EMPRESS OF CANADA to give assistance and information regarding trips ashore.

CANADIAN PACIFIC



SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports and Honolulu.

ASAMA MARU ... Wednesday, 10th Jan., at 10 a.m.
TAIYO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Jan., at 10 a.m.
CHICHIBU MARU ... Wednesday, 7th Feb., at 10 a.m.

SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.

HIVE MARU ... (Starts from Kobe) Wednesday, 27th Dec.
HEIAN MARU ... (Starts from Kobe) Friday, 29th Dec.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM

via Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Suez.

HAKOZAKI MARU ... Saturday, 23rd Dec.

TERUKUNI MARU ... Friday, 29th Jan.

HAKUSAN MARU ... Saturday, 20th Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Ports.

ATSUTA MARU ... Saturday, 23rd Dec.

KAKO MARU ... Saturday, 27th Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

TOTTORI MARU ... Friday, 29th Dec.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Saturday, 6th Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

HEIYO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Dec.

NEW YORK via Panama.

TAKETOGU MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Jan.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, Genoa and Valencia.

DAKAR MARU ... Saturday, 16th Dec.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

BENGAL MARU ... Friday, 29th Dec.

NAGATO MARU ... Saturday, 6th Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HAKODATE MARU ... Monday, 18th Dec.

HARUNA MARU ... Friday, 29th Dec.

GINYO MARU ... Thursday, 28th Dec.

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FELIX ROUSSEL ... 19th Dec.
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CHENONCEAUX ... 16th Jan.
D'ARTAGNAN ... 30th Jan.
ATHOS II ... 13th Feb.
ABAMIS ... 27th Feb.

To SHANGHAI—Kobe.

PORTHOS ... 18th Dec.
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D'ARTAGNAN ... 14th Jan.
ATHOS II ... 28th Jan.
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Clearances, Ships in Harbour, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS

IMPORTS 15,870 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO.
22,990 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British.	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
Ranchi.	10	3,200
City of Evansville.	55	4,700
Szechuen.	150	—
Anshun.	Amoy 1,900	20
King Yuan.	Canton —	435
Wing Lee.	Holhow 107	102
American.	—	2,222
Patrick Henry.	Osaka 311	8,457
Norwegian.	—	311
Tai Ping.	Shanghai 1,232	—
Maris.	Tarakan 7,758	—
Italian.	—	9,040
Conte Rosso.	Shanghai 33	1,800
German.	—	33
Oldenberg.	Manila 2,518	3,949
French.	—	2,518
Canton.	Haiphong 595	595
Japanese.	—	—
Malacca Maru.	Sahio 677	5,037
Kamo Maru.	Manila 283	3,469
Chinese.	—	960
Hal Shang.	Canton —	478
Total.	15,870	22,990

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Ranchi (British), Shanghai	4
Szechuen (British), Swatow	85
Anshun (British), Amoy	50
King Yuan (British), Canton	20
Wing Lee (British), Holhow	90
Conte Rosso (Italian), Shanghai	55
Canton (French), Haiphong	45
Hal Shang (Canton), Canton	38
Total	394

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:—

British.	Arr.	Dep.
American.	8	10
Danish.	1	2
Dutch.	1	1
Norwegian.	2	0
Italian.	1	1
German.	1	0
French.	1	1
Japanese.	2	3
Chinese.	2	2
Total	19	22

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant ships were in harbour yesterday:—

Wharves.
Kowloon:—Shirala, Naldera, Maranosa, Ranchi, Oldenburg, A.P.C.—North Point, Marit, China Merchants—Tai Foo Sek, O.S.K.—Canton Maru.

Docks.
Kowloon:—Empress of Asia, King Ching, Valaya, Sul An, Tin Ting.

Talkoo:—Kau Sing, Chung King, Tai Shan.

Cosmopolitan:—Saxicava.

Buoys.

No. A6—Changste.
A7—Kwanai Maru.
A11—Ryu Maru.
B3—Szechuen.
B4—Prominent.
B5—Canton.
B6—Promise.
B8—Kellas.
B11—Hui Wah.
B12—Shun Chih.
B14—King Yuan.
B15—Kiangsu.
B21—Anshun.
B22—Mau Sang.
B26—Woolgar.
C1—Eng Lee.
C2—Bintang.

WAR SHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in port yesterday:—

Basin—Tamar.
North Wall—Ostris.
South Wall—Witch and Whitshed.

East Wall—Orpheus, Rainbow, Falmouth, Pandora.

North Arm—Medway, Perseus, Parthian, Oswald, Olympus, Odin, Otus.

West Wall—Kent, Bruce, Keppel, Veteran.

Dock—Tarantula.

No. 1 Buoy—Eagle.
No. 2 Buoy—Cumberland.
No. 5 Buoy—Berwick.
No. 6 Buoy—Suffolk.
No. 7 Buoy—Wren.
No. 8 Buoy—Cornflower.
No. 12 Buoy—Herald.

Foreign Men-of-War.

French cruiser Primauguet.

IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION.

The following ships were in wireless communication, with Hong Kong yesterday:—

Hong Kong: Greiner, Palstra, Rosalie, Oller, Tatsuta, Maru, Silver Peak, Wing Lee, Hai Ping, Trabaja, General Sherman, Haiyang, Handicap, Penrith Castle, Dakar Maru, Conte Rosso, Pronto.

SHIPPING MOVEMENT.

The B. and S. s.s. Orestes (from Shanghai), is due to arrive here on the 18th inst.

The B. and S. s.s. Talma left Kobe for this port on the afternoon of the 13th inst., and is due here on the morning of the 19th inst.

The Ben Line s.s. Bendell, from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst., and is due to arrive here on the 21st inst.

CLEARANCES

December 15.
Naldera for Shanghai.

City of Evansville, for Manila.

Oldenburg for Shanghai.

Patrick Henry, for Hullo.

Shirala, for Amoy.

Texaco XI, for Swatow.

Marit, for Tarakan.

King Yuan, for Haiphong.

Eng Lee, for Dalren.

Prominent, for Saigon.

Canton, for Haiphong.

Hai Ning, for Swatow.

Rosalie Moller, for Christmas Isl.

ARRIVALS

December 14.
Canton, French str., 978 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong.

buoy No. B5—M. M. and Co. Snabang, Dutch str., 1,010 tons, Capt. E. A. J. Pels, from Canton.

Kowloon Wharf—J.C.I.L. Patrick Henry, American str., 4,314 tons, Capt. B. J. Cheshire, from Osaka.

Stonecutters—L. Everett Inc.

December 5.
President Jefferson, American str., 8,443 tons, Capt. A. O. Lustic, from Shanghai.

Wharf—A.M.L. Eng Lee, Chinese str., 885 tons, Capt. Y. Yamaji, from Canton.

buoy No. C1—Yu Tai Tong.

King Yuan, British str., 1,548 tons, Capt. A. Allison, from Canton.

buoy No. B14—B. and S.

Ranchi, British str., 884 tons, Capt. A. H. Hignett, from Yokohama.

M.M. and Co.

Svalde, British str., 1,354 tons, Capt. G. H. Wilkins, from Swatow.

Douglas Wharf—Douglas S.S. Co.

Rosalie Moller, British str., 2,457 tons, Capt. W. Finch, from Whampoa.

Lai Chi Kok—G. Grimble and Co.

Kwansei Maru, Japanese str., 5,201 tons, Capt. M. Oyama, from Manila.

buoy No. A1—O.S.K.

HUGE IMPORTS FROM JAPAN

(Special Air-Mail Service)

London, Nov. 22.
Mr. Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, states in a written Parliamentary reply, that the aggregate value of merchandise imported into the United Kingdom and registered during the first nine months of 1933 as consigned from Japan, amounted to £4,903,326.

In reply to another question, Mr. Runciman states that the Government are keeping fully in view the problems raised by Japanese competition in the industries affected by it.

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"NALDERA"	18,000	13th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"CORFU"	15,000	27th Jan.	do
"BHUTAN"	6,000	3rd Feb.	Mars. Havre, Ldon., Awerp. & Hull
"BANPURA"	17,000	11th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"BEHAR"	6,000	17th Feb.	Mars. Havre, Ldon., Awerp. & Hull
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	24th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"SOUDAN"	6,000	3rd Mar.	Mars. Havre, Ldon., Awerp. & Hull
"COMORIN"	15,000	10th Mar.	Mars. Havre, Ldon., Awerp. & Hull
"CHITRAL"	15,000	24th Mar.	do
"BURDWAN"	6,000	31st Mar.	Mars. Havre, Ldon., Awerp. & Hull
"RANCHI"	17,000	7th April	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"CARTHAGE"	15,000	21st April	do
"SOMALI"	6,000	28th April	Mars. Havre, Ldon., Awerp. & Hull
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"SANTHIA"	8,000	29th Dec.	Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"CORFU"	15,000	29th Dec.	Shai, Kobe & Yokohama
"BEHAR"	6,000	7th Jan.	Shai, Kobe & Yokohama
"NELLURE"	7,000	18th Jan.	Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"TAKADA"	7,000	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"BANPURA"	17,000	18th Jan.	do
"SOUDAN"	6,000	24th Jan.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"CHITRAL"	15,000	24th Jan.	do
"NANKIN"	7,000	4th Feb.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"TANDA"	7,000	9th Feb.	Shai, Kobe & Yokohama
"COMORIN"	15,000	22nd Feb.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"BURDWAN"	6,000	23rd Feb.	do
"CHITRAL"	15,000	23rd Feb.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NANKIN"	7,000	4th Mar.	Shai, Kobe & Yokohama
"RANCHI"	17,000	9th Mar.	do
"CARTHAGE"	15,000	23rd Mar.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NALDERA"	18,000	5th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"CORFU"	15,000	19th Apr.	do
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